



NOTICE OF MEETING

DATE: THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2025
TIME: 6 PM NO-HOST BAR | 7 PM DINNER
PLACE: UNIVERSITY GOLF CLUB
5185 University Boulevard
Vancouver
COST: \$100 Members | \$125 Non-Members

**PAYMENT IN ADVANCE ONLY PLEASE, WE ARE UNABLE
TO ACCEPT PAYMENT AT THE DOOR FOR THIS MEETING**

GUEST SPEAKER – GWENDOLINE ALLISON

We are pleased to welcome Gwendoline Allison as our first speaker in the 2025 – 2026 membership year.

Gwendoline was counsel for the plaintiff in *A. Y. v. N.B.* and is co-counsel for the Christian Legal Fellowship as intervener in the case of *O'Neill v. His Majesty the King et al.*, SCBC Action No. S244011.

In *A. Y. v. N.B.*, 2024 BCSC 2004, the BC Supreme Court granted an ex parte, interim injunction prohibiting a medical professional from carrying out medical assistance in dying. The injunction application was the third such application in Canada, and the only successful one to date. Gwendoline Allison will discuss the background to the application, the law that was before the court and the decision itself.

Gwendoline Allison is the principal of Barton Thaney Law. She has more than thirty years' experience representing clients in employment and labour law, human rights, administrative law, constitutional law, and in general litigation matters. Since 1997, she has advised women's anti-violence organizations and their clients. She appeared before the Supreme Court of Canada in *Canada (Attorney General) v. Bedford*, 2013 SCC 72, *R. v. Barton*, 2019 SCC 33 (as co-counsel) and *R. v. Kloubakov*, 2025 SCC 25 (as co-counsel). Since 2011, Gwendoline has represented complainants and third-party records holders in criminal sexual assault cases, in more than seventy applications before the BC Provincial Court, the BC Supreme Court and the BC Court of Appeal. She is a frequent writer and presenter and is the founding co-author of a textbook on employment standards law: *Employment Standards in British Columbia: Annotated Legislation and Commentary*.

Please join us for this informative and interactive discussion.

Please either e-transfer payment to cagielens@hotmail.com or forward your cheque payable to "The Medical Legal Society of B.C." **before October 16, 2025.**

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24 HOURS' NOTICE OF CANCELLATION IS REQUIRED

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