



**April 28, 2022 - Common Sense: Not so Common?**

**Moderator: Stephania P. Luciuk, Commissioner, Canada Energy Regulator**



Stephania Luciuk was appointed as a Commissioner of the Canada Energy Regulator in 2019. Prior to her appointment, Ms. Luciuk was in legal practice for over 20 years, with extensive experience in the energy sector, serving as in-house counsel at Imperial Oil Limited and Canadian Oil Sands Limited and in private practice with Macleod Dixon and Fasken Martineau DuMoulin. Her legal practice has spanned regulatory, commercial and environmental work as well as engagement with Indigenous peoples related to conventional/unconventional oil and gas development and pipelines. In 2017, Ms. Luciuk was appointed as an assistant professor in the Bissett School of Business at Mount Royal University. She also served part-time as a commissioner of the Appeals Commission for Alberta Workers' Compensation and as a mediator for the Provincial Court of Alberta. She is currently the CER representative to NARUC (the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners). Ms. Luciuk holds a Juris Doctor from Osgoode Hall Law School at York University and a Master of Laws in international environmental law, focused on freshwater protection, from Dalhousie University.

## Panelists:

### Anita Szigeti, Principal Lawyer at Anita Szigeti Advocates



Anita Szigeti is the founding lawyer and sole owner of Anita Szigeti Advocates, a firm focusing on mental health and the law. The firm currently operates with the help of two associates, two articling students, a legal assistant and office manager. Anita has served as a former Chair of the Mental Health Legal Committee and Legal Aid Ontario's Mental Health Law & Policy Advisory Group. Co-author of three publications on the law of mental health and mental disorder, she is a recognized expert in the area of mental health in both civil and criminal law context.

From 2013-2019, Anita served as an elected Toronto Director of the Criminal Lawyers' Association and as the Chair of its Mental Disorder Sub-committee. She re-joined the CLA Board as its Women's Director in 2020-2021. In 2017, Anita founded an umbrella advocacy organization in the area of mental health law, the Law And Mental Disorder Association (LAMDA), and currently serves as the organization's President. In 2022, Anita founded an umbrella advocacy organization for Women in Canadian Criminal Defence (WiCCD). She serves as Secretary on WiCCD's founding Executive. Anita is the only Canadian Board member of the American National Association of Rights Protection and Advocacy (NARPA) and also sits on the Board of Pilot Place Society (PPS), a 24 hour supervised Toronto housing service provider (with three locations) for those with serious mental health issues.

Anita has been involved in a dozen death inquiries focusing on police use of force in interactions with persons in crisis. In 2016, she joined the prestigious Trial Advocacy faculty at the U of T law school. Teaching advocacy is a long time passion for Anita who has also taught the substantive law of mental disorder throughout her career to Crowns, physicians, defence lawyers, clients and their families. When she's not mentoring new generations of lawyers or at a Jays' game with her family, Anita is found in a courtroom almost every day. Anita has mentored hundreds of new lawyers and law students and loves coaching advocacy at trial and appellate levels, including coaching moot teams at law schools. She's happiest litigating on behalf of vulnerable people, giving a voice to those who otherwise may not be heard at all.

**Kerri Froc, Associate Professor, University of New Brunswick (UNB) Law, and a Trudeau and Vanier Scholar**



Kerri is an Associate Professor at UNB Law, as well as a Trudeau and Vanier Scholar. She has taught courses at Carleton University, Queen's University and University of Ottawa on feminist legal theory and various aspects of public law, among others.

Kerri received her PhD from Queen's University in 2016 and holds a Master of Laws from the University of Ottawa, a Bachelor of Laws from Osgoode Hall Law School, and a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Regina.

Before completing her doctorate, she spent 18 years as a lawyer — as a civil litigator in Regina, a staff lawyer for the Women's Legal Education and Action Fund (LEAF), and as a staff lawyer in the areas of law reform and equality at the Canadian Bar Association. She is a member of the Saskatchewan and Ontario bars.

**Josee Audet, Administrative Judge, Tribunal administratif du travail**