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## **Advice From a Solicitor | PRESENTER: Barbara J. Kimmitt**

Discuss estate litigation from a solicitor's perspective, including how to properly document your client's intentions using Deeds of Gift and Letters of Intention as well as creative approaches to applications for grants of probate and administration. Receive practical suggestions and useful precedents to help you better manage estate litigation matters.

## **Perception is Everything: The Mediation Alternative to Estate Litigation | PRESENTER: Anne S. de Villars QC**

Estate mediation can be a very successful—and more cost effective—alternative to estate litigation that often results in better relations between the parties when it's over. Learn when to mediate, how it works, and why you should consider it as an alternative.

## **Capacity and Undue Influence: Diminished Will or True Intentions?**

**PRESENTER: Françoise Belzil**

Learn about the court forms and procedures for challenging the validity of a will or responding to such a challenge. Review common sources of evidence and get practical tips for handling these types of cases.

## **FMS Claims: Why Step-Parents (and Other Claimants) Do Not Have the King Midas Touch | PRESENTER: Barbara J. Stratton QC**

Discuss necessary evidence, use of experts, cross-examination, and recent case law in advancing family maintenance and support (FMS) claims.

## **Where There's a Will There's a Way (to Interpret the Will)**

**PRESENTER: Layne N. Thiessen**

Review how courts in Alberta have chosen to interpret wills following the proclamation of the *Wills and Succession Act* with specific emphasis on: (a) the admissibility of privileged documents, and (b) *Ad Terrorem* provisions.

## **The “Dripping Roast” No More: Settlements, AISH Entitlements, and Costs | PRESENTER: Jennifer R. Lamb**

Receive an update on legislative amendments that may impact eligibility for and entitlement to AISH benefits, and review recent decisions as they relate to costs awards. Discuss personal representatives, beneficiaries, minors, and charities.

## **View From the Bench—What Matters Should Never See the Light of a Courtroom**

**PRESENTERS: Hon. Justice C. Jones and Hon. Justice J.S. Little**



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