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Welcome remarks

Contracting for Software Development

Contracting for software development is a multi-faceted issue that involves legal, economic, and technological considerations. Ensure you are alert to key issues in order to manage risks for your clients and ensure you have the right contractual framework to bring development projects to success.

Moderator: Anagha Nandakumaran, Associate, Technology Group, Fasken

Panelists:

Lisa Danay-Wallace, Partner in the information technology and intellectual property law practice group, WeirFoulds LLP

Elena Iosef, Legal Counsel, Varicent

Negotiating as a Junior Tech Lawyer: Starting from Yes and Navigating to Success

Negotiations can be one of the most challenging parts of practice for junior lawyers. Learn from our expert panel on how they have navigated negotiations through the years with a diverse range of parties. We will discuss best practices for achieving a successful negotiation and response strategies for managing the process in the event that it veers off course.

Moderator: M. Imtiaz Karamat, Associate, Deeth Williams Wall LLP

Panelists:

Hashim Ghazi, Emerging Technology, Privacy & Cybersecurity Lawyer, Fasken

Cat Lovrics, Partner, Lawyer, Trademark Agent, Marks & Clerk

Steven Slavens, Counsel, Torys LLP

Managing Cybersecurity Risks

Come hear our expert panel talk about best practices to manage cybersecurity risks. We will begin by discussing sources of cyber-risk and the current state of threats that can impact your clients. We will also discuss managing vendor risk and key contract terms/concepts that should be included in your outsourcing arrangements. The panel will also cover preparing for security incidents, breach management (including whether ransoms should be paid), meeting regulatory requirements and other ways to mitigate cyber-risk.

Moderator: Lisa R. Lifshitz, Partner, Torkin Manes LLP

Panelist:

Hélène Deschamps Marquis, Partner / Data Privacy, Cybersecurity and Digital Law, Deloitte Legal Canada LLP

Joanna Fine, Partner, Privacy and Data Management, Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP

John Hewie, National Security Officer, Microsoft Canada

Day 2 Agenda

Opening remarks

Women in Tech: Avant Garde

Moderators: Abby Benattar, Technology Contracting & IP/IT Associate, WeirFoulds LLP, and Wendes Keung, Technology Contracting Associate, Torys LLP

The focus of the discussion will be on women in innovation. Our speakers will address the barriers of entering into and experiences of working within disruptive technology industries.

These women will touch on how they balance the rapid process of pioneering inventions with their quest to shape an industry that eliminates such barriers. Amongst other topics, this segment will include a discussion around the value of improving representation as a means of improving technology outcomes, especially in the key roles related to science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) that are driving Canada's innovation economy.

Panelist:

Chres Lee, Associate, Emerging and High Growth Companies, Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt LLP

Kelly Kwan, General Counsel, Clutch

Aliya Ramji, Partner, McCarthy Tétrault

Electronic Monitoring in the Workplace

Panelists:

Olalekan (Wole) Akinremi, Senior Associate, Deeth Williams Wall LLP

Nancy Shapiro, Partner, Koskie Minsky LLP

International Data Ownership

Moderator: Vipal Jain, Privacy and Technology lawyer, WeirFoulds LLP

Panelists:

Chelsi Bonair, Corporate Counsel, Google

Andrew Bernstein, Litigation Partner, Torys LLP

Rohin Bansal, Director of Data Governance, Telus

Ethics of Cryptocurrencies: A Discussion Around its Neutrality

Cryptocurrency has been used to fund both sides of the Ukraine/Russian war. Is this allowable under Canadian law? Should it be? Can the underlying blockchain technology ever be truly neutral?

Moderator: Marlon Hylton, Senior Counsel & CEO, INNOV-8 Data Counsel & INNOV-8 Legal Inc.

Panelist:

Jillian Friedman, Chief Operating Officer, Ether Capital

Zach Justein, Head of Business Development and Legal Affairs, Paycase Financial

Pouya Makki, Associate, Renno & Co Inc.

Closing remarks