

## APTLA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Pref. First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year of Call \_\_\_\_\_ Prov. \_\_\_\_\_

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City \_\_\_\_\_

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### PAYMENT

- Regular Member \$295.00     Out of Province Member \$120.00  
 Sustaining Member \$600.00     Student Member \$34.20  
 Associate Member \$295.00     First Time Member \$120.00  
\* HST # 86330 4416

### TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(payable to Atlantic Provinces Trial Lawyers Association)

"I certify that I am licensed to practice law in the province of \_\_\_\_\_

or am engaged in a course of study at a law school in Canada, or am a student-at-law or articulated student, and that I, for the most part, in my civil trial practice, represent the plaintiff. I hereby acknowledge and agree that any information transmitted by way of the Association's listserv utility is for the exclusive use of APTLA Members, and is strictly confidential."

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Send this completed form, together with payment as indicated to:  
**Atlantic Provinces Trial Lawyers Association, P.O. Box 2618,  
Central RPO, Halifax, Nova Scotia B3J 3N5. [www.apfla.ca](http://www.apfla.ca)**

## CONFERENCE REGISTRATION

### APTLA MEMBER REGISTRATION

- \$348.25 + HST = \$397.00\* for APTLA Lawyer Members  
 \$348.25 + HST = \$397.00\* for APTLA Associate Members  
 \$248.25 + HST = \$283.00\* for APTLA Young Lawyer Members  
 \$200.00 + HST = \$228.00\* for APTLA Clerks & Students

### NON-APTLA MEMBER REGISTRATION

- \$548.25 + HST = \$625.00\* for Non-APTLA Member Registrations  
 \$348.25 + HST = \$397.00\* for Non-APTLA Clerks & Students  
 \$348.25 + HST = \$397.00\* for Medical & Health Professionals  
\* See "Attending APTLA's Brain Injury Litigation Conference"

Registration includes a CD of conference materials, refreshments, the conference luncheon and HST. All conference attendees will receive a CD of conference materials. Printed conference binders will be available at an additional cost of \$75.00.

**OUR LAST TWO FALL CONFERENCES WERE SELL-OUTS. SPACE IS LIMITED. PLEASE REGISTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred First Name for Badge \_\_\_\_\_

Firm \_\_\_\_\_

Medical / Health Professional No \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_

Prov./Postal Code \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Facsimile \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Registration Fee

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Materials, if desired

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL ENCLOSED  
HST No. 86330 4416 RT0001

### APTLA 2006 6th Annual Fall Conference

Thursday, November 30th, 2006

Delta Halifax, Halifax, Nova Scotia

How to Register: Mail or fax the completed Registration Form, accompanied by payment (cheque) to:

The Atlantic Provinces Trial Lawyers Association  
P.O. Box 2618, Central RPO, Halifax, Nova Scotia, B3J 3N5.  
(Telephone 1-902-446-4446, Facsimile 1-902-425-9552).

A confirmation will be faxed to you.

**IN ORDER TO CONFIRM AND HOLD YOUR PLACE AT THIS PROGRAM, ALL REGISTRATIONS MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE OF NOVEMBER 30th, 2006.**

### ATTENDING APTLA'S BRAIN INJURY LITIGATION CONFERENCE:

There will be a Fifteen Percent (15%) discount on registration fees offered to any individual registrant attending both APTLA's Experts: From Retainer to Trial conference and our Brain Injury Litigation program. Please contact the APTLA Office to confirm pricing and availability.

**CONFERENCE MATERIALS:** Attendees will be provided with a CD of the conference materials. If you wish to purchase a bound copy, please indicate on the registration form and add \$75.00 to the registration fee. Your materials will be provided to you at the conference.

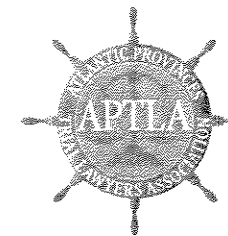
**MATERIAL ORDERS ONLY:** I will NOT be attending the conference and wish to order a bound copy of the conference materials:

\_\_\_\_\_ \$160.00 APTLA Members

\_\_\_\_\_ \$210.00 Non-Members

**ACCOMMODATIONS:** APTLA has established preferred room rates at the Delta Halifax starting at \$129/night based on single or double occupancy. This rate is subject to availability. You must inform the hotel that you are attending the Atlantic Provinces Trial Lawyers Association Conference when making your reservations in order to take advantage of the preferred room rate. The Delta's contact numbers are 902 425 6700 for in-house reservations or toll free 877 814 7706. Please make your reservations no later than October 30th. After that date, the Delta will release the room block and accommodations will be subject to availability and regular pricing.

**CANCELLATIONS:** Registration cancellations must be received by the office no later than November 17th. We will issue you a refund for the registration fee paid less a \$50 processing fee. APTLA cannot accept cancellations after November 17th and refunds will not be issued after that date. Substitution of another APTLA Member is always permitted, although we would appreciate notice of such a substitution.



## EXPERTS: FROM RETAINER TO TRIAL

Thursday  
November 30th, 2006  
Delta Halifax  
Halifax, Nova Scotia

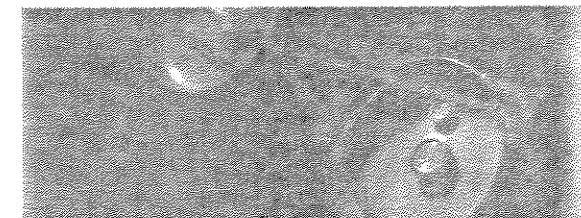
Conference Chair: John A. McKiggan  
APTLA Education Chair: George A. McAllister

Featuring presentations by  
renowned litigators and legal educators:

BRUCE STERN (NJ) on  
"Discovery of Opposing Experts"

JOHN OLAH (ON) on  
"Preparing your Expert for Direct & Cross"

& HOWARD NATIONS (TX) on  
"Cross Examination Techniques"



APTLA Members Meeting  
Saturday, December 2nd, 2006  
Delta Halifax, Halifax, Nova Scotia

**FEATURED PRESENTER: HOWARD NATIONS**

HOWARD NATIONS, J.D. received his law degree from Vanderbilt University and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Florida State University. Mr. Nations is board certified by the Texas Board of Legal Specialization as both a personal injury trial lawyer and a civil trial lawyer. He is board certified on the national level as a Civil Trial Advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocates, and is certified as a Diplomat of Trial Advocacy by the National College of Advocacy.

As a leader of the trial bar, Mr. Nations served on the Executive Committee and as an officer of the American Association for Justice from July 1990-1995, serving as Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. He is a Past-President of the Texas Trial Lawyers Association, Past-President of the Southern Trial Lawyers Association, President-elect of the Belli Society and Trustee of the American Jury Foundation.

During his forty-plus years of trial practice he has tried cases in the areas of product liability, wrongful death, medical malpractice, real estate fraud, insurance bad faith, will contests, breach of contract, child custody, divorce, criminal defense and a variety of personal injury and workers' compensation cases, both from the plaintiffs' and defendants' side of the docket. The firm is currently emphasizing representation of plaintiffs in pharmaceutical mass torts such as injuries and deaths resulting from the Ortho Evra birth control patch and the antipsychotic medications such as Seroquel, Zyprexa and Risperdal.

Mr. Nations is one of the most sought after legal speakers in America, having spoken in each of the 50 states, England, Mexico, Scotland, Bermuda, Costa Rica, Aruba, Columbia, Panama, Tahiti and 6 Canadian provinces.

**FEATURED PRESENTER: BRUCE STERN**

Bruce H. Stern, listed in Best Lawyers in America, is a shareholder and member of the Personal Injury Group at Stark & Stark in Lawrenceville, New Jersey. He concentrates his practice in the area of brain and spinal cord injuries, and wrongful death.

In July 2004, Mr. Stern began publishing Traumatic Brain Injury Law Blog ([www.braininjurylawblog.com](http://www.braininjurylawblog.com)) as a way to share his knowledge in the field of brain injury law. Additionally, Mr. Stern is the author of numerous articles and a frequent lecturer on the subject of traumatic brain injury litigation, evidence and trial techniques. He also co-authored a chapter entitled "Brain Injuries" which is included in ATLA's Litigation Tort Case Series, published by ATLA Press.

Both the New Jersey Supreme Court and the National Board of Trial Advocacy certify Mr. Stern as a Certified Civil Trial Attorney.

**EXPERTS: FROM RETAINER TO TRIAL**

This plaintiff-oriented program will bring you all you need to know to effectively use your Experts and to challenge opposing Experts.

Thursday, November 30th, 2006

8:30 - 9:00 Registration & Refreshments

8:55 - 9:00 **INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**  
*John McKiggan, Arnold Pizzo McKiggan*

9:00 - 9:25 **THE LAW OF EXPERT EVIDENCE: THE CANADIAN EVOLUTION AND THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION**  
*Glenn R. Anderson, Q.C., N.S. Department of Justice*

9:25 - 9:45 **BEYOND IPSE DIXIT: ASSESSING THE RELIABILITY OF EXPERT EVIDENCE**  
*Glenn R. Anderson, Q.C., N.S. Department of Justice*

9:45 - 10:15 **RETAINER LETTERS & EXPERT REPORTS: TIPS & TRAPS**  
*Chesley F. Crashie, Q.C., Ches Crosbie Barristers*

10:15 - 10:35 Refreshment Break

10:35 - 10:55 **PRIVILEGE: WHAT IS AND ISN'T PROTECTED?**  
*Robert Tocchat, Campbell Leo*

10:55 - 11:35 **PREPARING YOUR EXPERT FOR DIRECT AND CROSS**  
*John Olah, Beard Winter LLP*

11:35 - 12:05 **DISCOVERY OF THE OPPOSING EXPERTS**  
*Bruce Stern, Stark & Stark, New Jersey*

12:05 - 1:15 **CONFERENCE LUNCHEON**  
*Sponsored by Seahold Investments Inc.*

1:15 - 2:00 **MEET THE EXPERTS: HUMAN FACTORS, BIOMECHANICS & ACCIDENT RECONSTRUCTION**  
*Dr. Brian J. Benda, Ph.D, ARCCA Incorporated, Penns Park, Pennsylvania*

2:00 - 2:20 **MEET THE EXPERTS: KINESIOLOGY / GAIT ANALYSIS**  
*Dr. Victoria Chester, Professor of Kinesiology Institute of Biomedical Engineering University of New Brunswick*

2:20 - 2:35 Refreshment Break  
*Sponsored by LEXFUND Management Inc.*

2:35 - 3:35 **MAKING YOUR CASE THROUGH OPPOSING EXPERTS: CROSS EXAMINATION TECHNIQUES**  
*Howard Nations, J.D., Nations Law Office, Houston, Texas*

3:35 - 4:15 **PANEL DISCUSSION: DECONSTRUCTION OF THE LOW IMPACT DEFENCE**  
*Glenn R. Anderson, Q.C., N.S. Department of Justice  
Dr. Brian J. Benda, PhD, ARCCA Incorporated*

4:15 - 4:45 **ENHANCING THE IMPACT OF YOUR EXPERT'S OPINION: A CHECKLIST**  
*Glenn R. Anderson, Q.C., N.S. Department of Justice*

**UPCOMING APTLA EVENTS**

**BRAIN INJURY LITIGATION**  
Friday, December 1st & 2nd, 2006  
*Delta Halifax, Halifax, NS*

**APTLA MEMBERS MEETING**  
Saturday, December 2nd, 2006  
*Delta Halifax, Halifax, NS*

**TRIAL COLLEGE**  
Friday & Saturday, June 22nd & 23rd, 2007  
*Rodd Brudenell Resort, Roseneath, PEI*

**FEATURED PRESENTER: JOHN OLAH**

JOHN A. OLAH received his Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in 1970 from York University (Glendon College) and his Bachelor of Law from Osgoode Hall Law School in 1973. He was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1975.

Mr. Olah practices civil litigation and has appeared at all levels of court, including Courts of Appeal and the Supreme Court of Canada. Mr. Olah was counsel at the Royal Commission into certain deaths at the Hospital for Sick Children where he acted for one of the members of the nursing team under suspension.

He is a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada, the Advocates' Society, the Canadian Bar Association, the Lawyers' Club, the American Bar Association. He is also a past director of the Advocates' Society and served on the Council of the Medico-Legal Society.

Mr. Olah is the author of a number of articles on Civil Litigation and Criminal Law. He has lectured at Windsor Law School, McGill Law School and the Canadian Bar Association (Ontario) on a variety of subjects. Recently, Mr. Olah has also lectured to the Nova Scotia Barristers' Society where he held a seminar entitled "Advocacy Today and Tomorrow", and the Advocates Society in Ottawa on "Creative Advocacy". He is the author of "The Art and Science of Advocacy", a textbook for lawyers on trial tactics and trial procedure.

**FEATURED PRESENTER: GLENN ANDERSON, Q.C.**

Glenn R. Anderson holds B.Comm. (Honours), LL.B. and LL.M. degrees from Dalhousie University. He taught Civil Procedure at Dalhousie Law School (1990-1999) and has been a guest lecturer at the Nova Scotia Bar Admission Course and at Saint Mary's University. He has also been a lecturer and panellist at continuing legal education programs. He has written extensively on expert evidence, with his most recent article appearing in The Canadian Bar Review. His book, Expert Evidence, was published by LexisNexis Butterworths in 2005.

Mr. Anderson was admitted to the Bars of Nova Scotia (in 1986) and Ontario (in 1991). He practised civil litigation at Blois, Nickerson & Bryson, a Halifax, Nova Scotia, firm from 1987 until he joined the Nova Scotia Department of Justice in January 2005. He is a Senior Solicitor at the Department of Justice practising civil and constitutional litigation and was appointed a Queen's Counsel in 2004.