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Summer Meeting Niagara-On-The-Lake, Ontario, Canada

August 4 – 7, 2019

Queens Landing Hotel
155 Byron Street

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Trial Lawyers Section Chair and Program Chair

Kevin J. Sullivan, Esq., Nichols & Sullivan P.C., Buffalo

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Discounts and Scholarships

New York State Bar Association members and non-members may receive financial aid to attend this program. Under this policy, anyone who required financial aid may apply in writing, not later than ten working days prior to the start of the program, explaining the basis of the hardship, and if approved, can receive a discount or scholarship, depending on the circumstances. For more details, please contact: Catheryn Teeter at cteeter@nysba.org

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ENTRY/EXIT REQUIREMENTS FOR U.S. CITIZENS:

For tourist visits to Canada of less than 180 days, U.S. citizens do not need visas. Canadian law requires all persons entering Canada carry proof of citizenship and proof of identity. If traveling via land/sea, a valid U.S. passport, passport card, or NEXUS card satisfies these requirements for U.S. citizens. Travel via air requires a passport. Children under 16 need only present proof of U.S. citizenship: an original or copy of his or her birth certificate, a Consular Report of Birth Abroad or a Canadian Citizenship Card.

Anyone with a criminal record (including misdemeanors or alcohol-related driving offenses) may not be able to enter Canada without first obtaining an approval for rehabilitation well in advance of any planned travel. To determine whether you may be inadmissible and how to overcome this finding, please refer to the CIC website. Entry into Canada is solely determined by Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) officials in accordance with Canadian law. Please see the CBSA's website for details.

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sunday, August 4

2:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Registration – Queens Landing Hotel Lobby

3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

Executive Committee Meeting – Loyalist Room

6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

Welcome Cocktail Reception – Tiara Terrace

7:30 p.m.

Dinner on Your Own

Monday, August 5

7:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet– Tiara Dining Room

Included in meeting fee for all registered attorneys and registered spouses/guests

8:00 – 9:00 a.m.

Executive Committee Meeting – Imperial Ballroom A

Breakfast will not be served at the meeting.

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Registration – Imperial Ballroom Foyer

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION – Imperial Ballroom B

9:00 – 9:10 a.m.

Trial Lawyers Section Welcome

Kevin J. Sullivan, Esq.

Section Chair

9:10 – 10:00 a.m.

Ethics Update For Trial Lawyers

(1.0 in Ethics)

Speaker:

Sharon Stern Gerstman, Esq.

Former President, New York State Bar Association

Magavern, Magavern, Grimm, LLP | Buffalo

10:10 – 10:20 a.m.

Refreshment Break – Sponsored by **PRECISION LIEN RESOLUTION**

10:20 – 11:10 a.m.

New York Practice and CPLR Update

(1.0 Areas of Professional Practice)

Speaker:

Hon. Shirley Troutman

Appellate Division, Fourth Department | Buffalo

11:10 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Where Are We with Medicare, Medicaid, and Lien Resolution

(1.0 Areas of Professional Practice)

Speaker:

Paul K. Isaac, Esq.

Precision Lien Resolution | Buffalo

1:00 – 5:15 p.m.

**GOLF AT LEGENDS ON THE NIAGARA - BATTLEFIELD COURSE,
9172 WILLOUGHBY DRIVE, NIAGARA FALLS, ONTARIO**

Golf Architect Douglas Carrick created a truly unique course that challenges every level of golfer. The Course features a nice mix of wide, links style holes with generous undulating fairways and greens bound by dense forest and brush. **\$125.00 per person.** Fee includes: transportation, greens fees, golf cart and box lunch. **Preregistration required. Meet in lobby to car pool to course at 12:30 p.m. sharp.**

2:00 p.m.

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE TROLLEY WINE COUNTRY TOUR

Enjoy a leisurely tour through the town of Niagara-on-the-Lake aboard a trolley. Experience Canada's most celebrated wineries and award-winning wines. Discover the local history of Niagara-on-the-Lake: "The Prettiest Town in Canada" as we travel along the area's scenic wine route and visit two local wineries. Must be 21 and older. Trolley will pick-up right in front of the hotel. Tour length is 3 hours. Fee is **\$65.00 per person. Preregistration is required.**

7:00 – 10:00 p.m.

Cocktail Reception & Dinner – The Jade Room, Tiara Dining Room

Preregistration required.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tuesday, August 6

7:00 – 9:30 a.m.

Breakfast Buffet– Tiara Dining Room
Included in meeting fee for all registered attorneys and registered spouses/guests

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Registration – Imperial Ballroom Foyer

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

GENERAL SESSION – Imperial Ballroom B

9:00 – 9:10 a.m.

Program Introduction
Kevin Sullivan, Chair

9:10 – 10:00 a.m.

Evidence Issues for Trial Attorneys
(1.0 in Skills)

Speaker:

Hon. Thomas P. Franczyk
University at Buffalo School of Law
Buffalo

10:00 – 10:10 a.m.

Refreshment Break – Sponsored by **LEXITAS - DEITZ NATIONWIDE COURT REPORTING**

10:10 – 11:00 a.m.

Understanding the Labor Law – Construction Site Accidents
(1.0 Areas of Professional Practice)

Speaker:

David R. Adams, Esq.
Hurwitz & Fine, P.C.
Buffalo

11:00 – 11:50 a.m.

Focus Groups - How to Deal with Case Issues
(1.0 Skills)

Speaker:

Richard A. Hall, IV, Esq.
Dolce Panepinto, P.C.
Buffalo

2:00 – 5:00 p.m.

SHAW THEATRE FEST MATINEE: GETTING MARRIED
The Royal George Theater, 85 Queen Street

On the eve of the wedding, the bride and groom realize what marriage is all about. So, of course, the wedding is off. Or is it? A timeless, laugh-out-loud Shaw comedy about marriage. For ages 14 & over. Theatre is approx. 10 minute walk from hotel.
Preregistration required. Tickets: \$80.00 each.



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6:30 – 10:00 p.m.

Reception and Dinner – Ravine Vineyard Estate Winery, 1366 York Road, St. David's, Ontario

For five generations the Lowrey family has grown grapes in the soil of one of the oldest commercial vineyards in Niagara-on-the-Lake. Enjoy a real farm-to-table experience featuring their wines and dishes made from organic ingredients sourced from their garden. Ravine is a place steeped in time and heritage. **Shuttle departs from the hotel at 6:15 p.m. sharp. Preregistration required.**



Wednesday, August 7

Checkout



THINGS TO DO

Shaw Theatre Festival

(800) 511-7429 / www.shawfest.com

The Shaw Festival brings great theatre to life in the heart of Niagara Wine Country. One of the world's finest theatre companies, the Shaw Festival is celebrated for its vivid and exhilarating productions of plays by Bernard Shaw and his contemporaries (1856-1950), and plays about the period of Shaw's lifetime. Join us Tuesday, August 6 for a 2 p.m. matinee of *Getting Married* at the Royal George Theatre. Purchase tickets using the meeting registration form.

Niagara Historical Society Museum THE PAST IS PRESENT HERITAGE FESTIVAL

(905) 468-3912 / www.niagarahistorical.museum

Monday, August 5, the Museum at 43 Castlereagh St. will host a "treasurers" sale, historic demonstrations, heritage activities, food, live music and more! Free admission from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Fort George National Historic Site

(905) 468-4257 / www.pc.gc.ca

Fort George located on the west side of the mouth of the Niagara River in Niagara-on-the-Lake, offers a fascinating and thought provoking experience by allowing visitors to be immersed in a very important part of the history of Canada, the War of 1812. Open seven days a week, 10 am to 5 pm.

During the war, the Niagara River was a vital water transportation route between Lake Ontario and Lake Erie. The Niagara frontier was the scene of many battles, including the ferocious Battle of Fort George, which saw the British attempt to defend against a much larger American force, supported by the U.S. navy. During the battle, in May 1813, Fort George was nearly destroyed by American cannon fire and was consequently captured days later. It was retaken in December of that same year by the British who went on to capture the American Fort Niagara in a daring night assault.

With the construction of Fort Mississauga in 1814 (now also a National Historic Site), Fort George was abandoned and allowed to fall into ruins soon after the war. Fort George, was designated a National Historic Site in 1921 and restored in the late 1930's.

Knowledgeable, costumed staff help bring the story of the fort and surrounding area to life with fascinating tales of real Canadian heroes. Dramatic tales of nation shaping events unfold within the walls of the fort. Children can try the hands-on fun of becoming soldiers in the 41st Regiment by trying on soldiers' redcoats, and learning to march and drill with wooden muskets.

Niagara Falls

Niagara Falls is approximately 30 to 45 minutes by car from Niagara-on-the-Lake. Enjoy spectacular views of the falls from a beautiful park on the edge of the Niagara River.

During the Summer, you can easily get from Niagara Falls to Niagara-on-the-Lake with the WEGO orange line shuttle, offered from May 5th until October 29th. The cost for a one way ticket is \$7.00 for an adult and \$5.00 for a child. The shuttle runs every 60 minutes from 11:00 am until 6:00 p.m. from Fort George to the Floral Clock where you transfer to the Niagara Parks Green Line bus. Tickets can be purchased with the correct change from the bus driver. **To see the full schedule visit the WE GO website or visit the Niagara Parks website to view the Shuttle Schedule. Bus line map also available at www.wegoniagarafalls.com/pdf/wego-route-map.pdf**

Hornblower Niagara Cruises (Canada)

(905) 642-4272 / www.niagaracruises.com

The legendary boat tour of Niagara Falls takes place aboard new state-of-the-art catamaran boats. The **"Voyage To The Falls"** promises an unforgettable thrill of a lifetime journey in the Great Gorge, past the American Falls, Bridal View Falls and into the very heart of the mighty Horseshoe Falls for an up-close and personal experience of the thundering water, awesome power and amazing mist of magnificent Niagara Falls! Boats depart every 15 minutes and begin each day with the Early Morning Sunrise Tour. This experience includes access to Hornblower Landing and extraordinary Falls viewing. Accessible view WEGO Green Line Bus.

Maid of the Mist (USA)

(905) 358-5781 / www.maidofthemist.com

Debuted in 1846, the Maid of the Mist is North America's oldest tourist attraction. For the 129th year in a row the iconic boats are setting sail through Niagara Falls. A raincoat is provided free with admission to help keep you dry from the mist and spray. Water rushes all around as you "soak" in the excitement and explore the roar of the Falls.

Casinos – gambling is available at 3 casinos in Niagara Falls. The Fallsview Casino and Casino Niagara in Niagara Falls, Canada or the Seneca Niagara Casino in Niagara Falls, New York.

Skylon Tower, Canada – the Skylon Tower offers visitors an outstanding view from indoor and outdoor observation decks reached by an exterior glass-enclosed "yellow bug elevator". Enjoy the 52 second ride and the view of the falls, the Great Gorge, the Niagara wine district and see skylines of Buffalo, New York and Toronto.

For more information on the numerous activities available at Niagara-on-the-Lake go to:

www.niagaraonthelakeinfo.com and for the surrounding area, visit: www.niagaraparks.com

HOTEL INFORMATION/RESERVATIONS:

Queen's Landing Hotel

155 Byron Street, Niagara-on-the-Lake, ON L0S 1J0, Canada

Hotel Accommodations: Call 1-888-669-5566 and ask for Reservations.

Advise them you are with the NYS Bar Association Trial Lawyers Group to get our preferred rate.

Hotel Reservation Deadline: July 5, 2019

Hotel Rates:

\$229 Canadian Single/Double plus local & state taxes. Rates include in-room high speed wi-fi, use of 24 hour fitness center, indoor salt water pool, sauna, hot tub and outdoor heated pool. Free parking. Complimentary shuttle service to downtown (although hotel is a five minute walk to old downtown.)

Nestled in the corner of the Niagara Region just beyond Niagara Falls, the picturesque Niagara-on-the-Lake epitomizes old town charm. Known by the locals as NOTL, the village is bordered on both sides by waterfront with arbor-framed streets among lush boulevard gardens. Wander through the Heritage District and discover whimsical boutiques, enthralling antique shops and delightful bistros - maybe even a horse drawn carriage or two. Beyond the quaint old town, explore the area's many wineries, breweries and distilleries, world-class theatre at the Shaw Festival, important historical landmarks and stunning waterfront views. Niagara-on-the-Lake is located just 12 ½ miles from Niagara Falls' Horseshoe Falls.

GETTING TO NIAGARA-ON-THE -LAKE:

Driving to Ontario, Canada: There are four bridges over the Niagara River into Canada, one in Buffalo (Peace Bridge), two in Niagara Falls (Rainbow and Whirlpool Bridges) and one in Lewiston (Lewiston-Queenston Bridge). Traffic varies considerably daily. Go to www.peacebridge.com for information on the Peace Bridge and call 1-800-715-6722 for up-to-date traffic conditions on the Niagara Falls and Lewiston bridges.

Train – Amtrak: The Maple Leaf train runs to Toronto-Niagara Falls-New York. To book your reservation go to: www.amtrak.com/maple-leaf-train

Plane: DELTA, Jet Blue, United and American Airlines all have daily frequent flights to Buffalo. Check their websites for flights.



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