



CANADIAN CRIMINAL
JUSTICE SYSTEM CONFERENCE
“THE TIMES THEY ARE A-CHANGIN’”
APRIL 18-20, 2010

**Fairmont Royal York
Toronto, ON**

Conference Objective:

- To engage members of the CACP in an interactive and facilitated discussion on positive and progressive change in the Criminal Justice System.
- To engage key participants within the Criminal Justice System in meaningful dialogue in the furtherance of comprehensive coordinated and timely criminal justice reform.
- To facilitate a discussion that will contribute to the development of a policy framework on changes to the Criminal Justice System.

Targeted Audience:

- Members of CACP
- Criminal Justice Officials (Judiciary, Crown Counsel, Criminal Defence, Government Representatives, Corrections Services, Parole)
- Academics

Conference Chairs:

- Deputy Chief Chris McNeil, Halifax Police Service
- Assistant-directeur Sylvain Brouillette, Service de police de la Ville de Montréal

Sunday, April 18, 2010

17:00-19:00 Registration

18:00-20:00 Meet and Greet

Monday, April 19, 2010

07:00

Registration
Breakfast

08:30-08:45

Opening Remarks: Conference Chairs

- Deputy Chief Chris McNeil, Halifax Police Service
- Assistant-directeur Sylvain Brouillette, Service de police de la Ville de Montréal

SESSION 1

08:45-09:30

Keynote Address

Presenter

- Honourable Allan Rock, PC, QC, LLB, President and Vice Chancellor, University of Ottawa

SESSION 2

09:30-10:00

Session

"The Public's Loss of Faith in Criminal Justice"

Presenter

- Chief Bill Blair, Toronto Police Service, CACP President

10:00-10:30

Network Break

SESSION 3

10:30-12:00

Bear Pit Session

Charting the Common Ground in Collaborative Justice System Reform

Objective

To trace the 'need for change' factors which have led us into collaborative discussions on Justice Reform and to explore the obstacles, challenges and risks which might lay ahead.

Presenters

- Honourable Justice Michael Moldaver, Court of Appeal for Ontario
- Mr. Bill Trudell, Chair, Canadian Council of Criminal Defence Lawyers
- Directeur Yvan Delorme, Montréal Police Service
- Assistant Deputy Minister Greg Lepp, Alberta Justice

Facilitator

Mr. Norman E. Taylor, Principal, Net-L3.com

SESSION 4
12:00-13:30

Lunch

Session

Justice on Target

Presenter

- Honourable Chris Bentley, Ministry of Attorney General, Ontario

Moderator

Chief Bill Blair, Toronto Police Service, CACP President

SESSION 5
13:30-14:00

Session

“Re-inventing Criminal Justice” Symposium History & Results

Objective

To inform the delegates on the history, process and results of the “Re-Inventing Criminal Justice” Symposium series involving senior criminal justice participants. This session will assist delegates to integrate their ideas for change to the criminal justice system into the wider context of other reform initiatives presently under way.

Presenter

- Honourable Raymond Wyant, Former Chief Judge of the Provincial Court of Manitoba

Moderator

Mr. Francis Brabant, Lawyer, Sûreté du Québec

SESSION 6
14:00-15:00

Session

Electronic Disclosure

Objective

To demonstrate and discuss current practices for Disclosure in Major Cases, as well as to demonstrate and discuss new and innovative methods of streamlining Disclosure in both Major and routine cases utilizing web-based technology.

Presenters

- Mr. Vince Paris, Assistant Crown Attorney, Guns and Gangs Unit
- Capitaine Gilles Martel, Responsable-adjoint, Escouade Régionale Mixte de Montréal
- Detective Greg Groves, Toronto Police Service, Homicide Squad

Moderator

Deputy Chief A.J. (Tony) Warr, Specialized Operations, Toronto Police Service

15:00-15:30

Network Break

SESSION 7
15:30-16:30

Debate Panel

Chronic Offenders; Where Do We Go From Here? Is Bail part of the problem?

Objective

It is well documented that a small number of offenders are responsible for the majority of offences. Chronic offenders have a long criminal history and a demonstrated lack of respect for the justice system in particular bail and release conditions. The continual re-victimization of the public by these offenders undermines confidence in the Justice System and contributes to the public fear of crime. Is it time to rethink Judicial Interim Release?

Presenters

- Chief Mike Boyd, Edmonton Police Service
- Mr. Philip Downes, Barrister, Simcoe Chambers

Facilitator

Superintendent Warren Lemcke, Vancouver Police Department

16:30

Closing Remarks

SESSION 8
18:00

Reception

19:00

Dinner

Session

"The Police, the Charter and the Public Interest"

Objective

To inform delegates of how the court has approached some of the difficult issues confronting judges and the police in reconciling the public interest in effective criminal investigations with the Charter.

Presenter

- The Honourable Justice Ian Binnie, Supreme Court of Canada

Moderator

Directeur adjoint Jean-Guy Gagnon, Montreal Police Service

Tuesday, April 20, 2010

07:30

Breakfast

08:30

Opening Remarks: Conference Chair

- Deputy Chief Chris McNeil, Halifax Police Service
- Assistant-directeur Sylvain Brouillette, Service de police de la Ville de Montréal

SESSION 9
08:35-10:00

Session

Complexity of the Law/ Concept of Proportionality

Objective

Exploring a new approach to criminal law reform.

Presenters

- Assistant Deputy Minister Greg Lepp, Alberta Justice
- Mr. Justice Michael Code, Superior Court of Justice of Ontario
- Deputy Attorney General Murray Segal, Ministry of the Attorney General, Province of Ontario
- Assistant Commissioner Mike McDonell, RCMP
- Mrs. Mona T. Duckett, Defence Counsel, Barrister

10:00-10:30

Network Break

SESSION 10
10:30-11:15

Session

Mega Trials "Working Together"

Objective

The twofold objective of this session is:

1. Inform the delegates of the detailed workings of mega trials.
2. Make delegates aware of the impact of mega trials on law enforcement agencies and the judicial system, keeping in view the "before", "during" and "after" stages of major police operations, of which SHARQC is a good example.

Presenters

- Capitaine Gilles Martel, Responsable-adjoint, Escouade Régionale Mixte de Montréal
- Me Claude Chartrand, procureur chef du Bureau de lutte au crime organisé (Chief attorney of Organised Crime for the Province au Québec)
- The Honourable Patrick J. LeSage, QC

Moderator

Assistant-directeur Sylvain Brouillette, Service de police de la Ville de Montréal

SESSION 11
11:15-12:00

Session

The case for Legal Aid – Should we care?

Objective

To increase awareness among participants as to the role, importance and challenges of legal representation within the justice system.

Presenters

- Ms. Karen Hudson, Executive Director, Legal Aide Nova Scotia
- Mr. D. Mayland McKimm, QC, Defence Counsel, McKimm & Wishart
- Mr. Bill Trudell, Chair, Canadian Council of Criminal Defence Lawyers

Moderator

Deputy Chief Murray Stooke, Calgary Police Service

SESSION 12
12:00-13:30

Lunch

Session

"Criminal Justice Reform through partnerships and collaboration"

Presenter

- Honourable Alison Redford, Q.C., Minister of Alberta

Moderator

Deputy Chief Murray Stooke, Calgary Police Service

SESSION 13
13:30-14:30

Session

Conclusions and Recommendations

Objective

To consolidate the achievements and lessons learned from this conference and to map the way forward from here.

Presenters

- Chief Bill Blair, Toronto Police Service, CACP President
- Honourable Alison Redford, Q.C., Minister of Alberta

Facilitator

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14:30

Closing Remarks