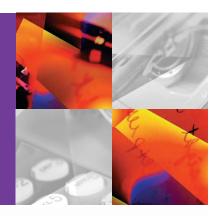


# Leadership Conference for Professional Women: Skills for Success



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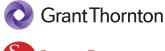
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The Women Lawyers Forum of the Canadian Bar Association is proud to present *Leadership Conference for Professional Women: Skills for Success.* 

Designed by women lawyers for all professional women, this conference will provide women with the necessary tools to **enhance productivity and job satisfaction**. Participants will learn innovative techniques for **effective communication** and strategies to better market themselves, focus their efforts and **advance to positions of leadership**.

Over two days, attendees will participate in three workshops led by groundbreaking and internationally recognized facilitators. These sessions will give delegates essential tools to capitalize on their own strengths, develop a unique strategic professional plan and provide high-level skills that can be immediately implemented.

#### Who Should Attend?

All professional women - whether in law, accounting, finance, education, or management in the public and private sector - will gain valuable skills from attending this outstanding professional development event.

We look forward to seeing you January 28-29<sup>th</sup> in Toronto. You don't want to miss it!

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 28, 2011

8:00am   8:30am	REGISTRATION AND CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
8:30am   4:30pm	INNOVATIVE STRATEGIES FOR EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION All day presentation and workshop
	Speaker: Sharon Ellison, M.S., The Institute for Powerful Non-Defensive Communication Sharon Ellison will teach empowering communication skills. Participants will learn to communicate in a manner that:

- Promotes confidence and assurance
- Prompts others to speak in a way that quickly gets to the core of the matter
- Gives direct feedback without being judgmental
- Expresses thoughts with clarity and power without being adversarial
- Sets firm boundaries that create respect, clear expectations and reciprocity

#### 4:30pm | 6:00pm NETWORKING RECEPTION

#### SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2011

- 8:00am | 8:30am CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST
- 8:30am | 2:30pm IMPERATIVES FOR SUCCESS: PROJECTING PERSONAL LEADERSHIP

### Speaker: Roz Usheroff, The Usheroff Institute

Participants will learn how to apply influence, networking and social capital to create a winning leadership presence that improves day-to-day operations and inspires loyalty and commitment to organizational success.

#### 2:45pm | 4:30pm DEVELOP YOUR PROFESSIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN

Speaker: Linda Robertson, B.A., LL.B, LL.M, Lawyer Coach & Practice Consultant During the workshop participants will incorporate the skills from the morning session into their own professional strategic plan and will leave the conference with a clear vision of what they need to do to realize their personal and professional goals.

#### **ORGANIZING COMMITTEE**

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## **ABOUT THE SPEAKERS:**

**Sharon Strand Ellison, M.S.,** The Institute for Powerful Non-Defensive Communication Sharon Strand Ellison, founder of The Institute for Powerful Non-Defensive Communication, of California, is an award-winning author, speaker and internationally recognized consultant. Ellison was a nominee for the "Leadership in a Changing World" Award, sponsored by the Ford Foundation and the Advocacy Institute. She works with people in more than thirteen different professions, including administrative personnel, small businesses, corporations, education, healthcare, government, law, law enforcement, social service and non-profits.

During her 35-year career, Ellison has developed and refined her *Powerful Non-Defensive Communication™* process. She has the rare gift of blending her ability to create cutting-edge communication theory with exceptional skills as a speaker, group facilitator and hands-on communication coach.



#### Roz Usheroff, The Usheroff Institute

Roz Usheroff operates The Usheroff Institute based in Florida. She designs and implements customized corporate education programs focusing on leadership, communication and business acumen. Usheroff's workshops equip professionals with the creative tools and immediately applicable skills to manage their careers, work and relationships more productively.

Delivering her message through print, radio and television media, Usheroff has gained an international reputation for helping others achieve results. She is skilled at executive coaching, management development, sales training, and individual consulting.



#### Linda Robertson, B.A., LL.B, LL. M, Lawyer Coach & Practice Consultant

Linda Robertson is a lawyer coach and practice consultant. Robertson practiced law for 24 years primarily as General Counsel, then as Senior Vice President Human Resources and Law at a large corporation in Vancouver. She trained as an Executive Coach in 2002 in the United States. The mission of her company, the *Women's Strategies Group* is to work with organizations, law firms and lawyers to retain and advance women.

Robertson brings over 30 years working on issues important to women lawyers, including working as an early organizer in Ottawa of the National Association of Women in the Law and as a member of the BC Law Society Gender Bias Committee on Workplace Policies in 1992. She is the immediate Past Chair of the BC CBA Women Lawyers Forum and helped found their highly successful Mentoring Program.

#### Accreditation:

Listed below is the number of hours in attendance at this conference which can be applied towards the mandatory professional development requirements, or PD credit program, of provincial and territorial law societies:

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- Ontario (10.5 hours; apply towards requirement for ongoing members not eligible for Professionalism credit or New Member requirement)
- Prince Edward Island (10.5 hours)
- Québec (10.5 hours)
- Saskatchewan (10.5 hours)

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The Westin Harbour Castle One Harbour Square Toronto ON 1-800-WESTIN-1 (416-869-1600)

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Leslie Huard Professional Development Coordinator Canadian Bar Association 865 Carling Ave., Suite 500 Ottawa, ON, K1S 5S8 or fax information to 613-237-0185 e-mail: leslieh@cba.org

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#### INFORMATION

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