

Debunk common liability waiver myths... just in time for summer!



Waivers in Sports and Recreational Activities: Current Law & Emerging Issues

Morgan Martin & Chet Wydrzynski

Tuesday, June 28, 2022 Live webinar with chat includes 60 day replay*

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WHO SHOULD ATTEND

This program is designed for all lawyers who want to better understand how sports and recreational activity waivers function. Plaintiff and defence counsel alike will benefit from attending.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

If you're a member of a fitness club or a recreational sports league, or have a school-aged child, liability waivers are a fact of life. Questions about the validity and enforceability of waivers are common, both from activity operators seeking to protect themselves from negligence claims and from patrons who signed a waiver and were subsequently injured. Challenges to waivers, and the defence of claims involving the interpretation of waivers, require careful analysis of a number of variables.

This webinar, featuring experienced personal injury litigators Morgan Martin & Chet Wydrzynski, will introduce general practitioners, corporate counsel, and other non-personal injury specialists to this discrete area of practice. Topics include requirements of a valid liability waiver, challenges to enforceability or validity of waivers, and developing issues in the law of waivers, including waivers executed on behalf of children. The course will provide a broad perspective of relevant cases and statutes across Canada.

You'll leave with a better understanding of the purpose of waivers, what participants are being asked to give up when they sign a waiver, and tools available to recreational providers to insulate themselves from and defend personal injury claims. Attend this course and help your clients better manage the legal risks that are part of their everyday lives. Register early and save!

SCHEDULE (Eastern)

12:00 pm - 1:30 pm

Welcome and Introduction

Overview of Liability Waivers

Requirements for a Valid Waiver

Challenges to Enforceability/Validity of a Waiver

Role of Statutory Protections

Recent Cases

Emerging Issues

Program Wrap-up and Evaluation

MEET YOUR PRESENTERS



Morgan Martin manages the Toronto office of Dolden Wallace Folick LLP. He regularly defends multi-million dollar claims involving catastrophic injuries, including traumatic brain injuries and quadriplegia. Morgan has significant experience defending claims involving occupiers', municipal, hospitality, and product liability, as

well as professional negligence, property and insurance, and civil claims involving police liability. He has acted for a number of sports organizations and leagues, including representing athletes before the International Rugby Board and the Sports Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada. He clerked for the Court of Arbitration for Sport at the 2005 Commonwealth Games and 2008 Summer Olympic Games. Morgan is a frequent presenter on insurance, hospitality and sports law topics.

Chet Wydrzynski is a partner in the Toronto office of Dolden Wallace Folick LLP. He has practiced insurance defence litigation his entire career. Chet has significant experience in the areas of occupiers' liability, liquor liability, sports and recreation, professional negligence, coverage, and property. An experienced trial lawyer, Chet has



represented a variety of sports organizations from recreational participants to the National Team level. Entities he has defended include martial arts studios, rock climbing facilities, and sports' governing bodies. He is a frequent speaker for legal associations and the insurance industry. Chet is a former Director of Canadian Defence Lawyers and is a past Chair of the CDL conference on Commercial Host Liability. Chet obtained his law degree from the University of Ottawa and his BA from the University of Windsor.



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