

# 21<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL Mel Myers

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## 21<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL MEL MYERS LABOUR CONFERENCE AGENDA

### THURSDAY MARCH 14, 2024

Conference location is the South Centennial room.  
Please refer to each Session block for correct locations.

7:30AM – 8:30AM: REGISTRATION AND BREAKFAST

8:30AM – 8:45AM: CONFERENCE OPENING AND WELCOME

8:45AM – 10:15AM: **Plenary: Union Engagement of Indigenous Peoples**  
**Presenters: Niigaan Sinclair**, Faculty of Arts Professorship in Indigenous Knowledge and Aesthetics at the University of Manitoba  
**Jacqueline Romanow**, Associate Professor in Indigenous Studies at the University of Winnipeg  
**Moderator: Joel Deeley**, Myers LLP

10:15AM – 10:30AM: REFRESHMENT BREAK

### 10:30AM – 12:00PM: SESSION A

SESSION A	PRESENTERS	LOCATION
A1: Unions 101	Paul McKenna, Myers LLP Andrew Fenwick, Myers LLP Helen Krahn, MGEU	Centennial 1
A2: Social Media Update	Kristen Worbanski, Myers LLP Clair Cerilli, Myers LLP	Centennial 3
A3: Discipline Fundamentals	Jeff Smorang, Myers LLP Erica Thompson, Myers LLP	Centennial 5
A4: Medical Issues	Trevor Ray, Myers LLP Cleyton Rückl, Myers LLP	Centennial 6

12:00PM – 1:15PM: LUNCH

### 1:15PM – 2:45PM: SESSION B

SESSION B	PRESENTERS	LOCATION
B1: Interactive Session	Shannon Carson, Myers LLP Kristen Worbanski, Myers LLP	Centennial 1
B2: Strike Action: Law and Lessons Learned	Susan Dawes, Myers LLP Kyle Ross, MGEU	Centennial 3
B3: The Duty to Accommodate	Jeff Smorang, Myers LLP Trevor Ray, Myers LLP	Centennial 5
B4: Respectful Workplace	Joel Deeley, Myers LLP Clair Cerilli, Myers LLP	Centennial 6

2:45PM – 3:00PM: REFRESHMENT BREAK

## 3:00PM – 4:30PM: SESSION C

SESSION C	PRESENTERS	LOCATION
C1: Interactive Session (REPEAT of B1)	Kristen Worbanski, Myers LLP Jeff Smorang, Myers LLP	Centennial 1
C2: Workers Charged and Convicted of a Crime	Greg Bartel, Myers LLP Joel Deeley, Myers LLP	Centennial 3
C3: Duty to Accommodate – An Advanced Perspective	Trevor Ray, Myers LLP Cleyton Rückl, Myers LLP	Centennial 5
C4: Organizing Do's and Don'ts	Susan Dawes, Myers LLP	Centennial 6

4:30PM – 6:30PM: RECEPTION

## > FRIDAY MARCH 15, 2024

7:30AM – 8:30AM: BREAKFAST

8:30AM – 10:15AM: **Plenary:** DFR's and Difficult Members  
**Presenters:** Susan Dawes, Myers LLP, Ray MacIsaac, Registrar of the Manitoba Labour Board and Paul McDonald, MGEU Legal Counsel

10:15AM – 10:30AM: REFRESHMENT BREAK

## 10:30AM – 12:00PM: SESSION D

SESSION D	PRESENTERS	LOCATION
D1: Ask a Labour Lawyer	Paul McKenna, Myers LLP Shannon Carson, Myers LLP Paul McDonald, MGEU	Centennial 1
D2: Social Media Update (REPEAT of A2)	Kristen Worbanski, Myers LLP Clair Cerilli, Myers LLP	Centennial 3
D3: Duty to Accommodate – An Advanced Perspective (REPEAT OF C3)	Trevor Ray, Myers LLP Jeff Smorang, Myers LLP	Centennial 5
D4: Workplace Privacy/Surveillance	Greg Bartel, Myers LLP Joel Deeley, Myers LLP	Centennial 6

12:00PM – 1:00PM: LUNCH

1:00PM – 2:30PM: Top 10 Cases of 2023  
**Presenters:** Myers LLP Labour Group

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