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Judging in Family Law - Am I More than (Just) a "Trial" Judge?

Justice Jim Williams
Supreme Court of Nova Scotia

Thursday, 24 February 2011, 1:00 - 2:00 pm
Lecture Theatre 4, Meng Wah Complex
The University of Hong Kong

The role of Judges in our court systems can be said to be changing, expanding and evolving. Judges are no longer mere "deciders" - they manage, negotiate within, and mediate disputes. Why are these changes taking place? What is their impact upon the skills and knowledge Judges should have, and upon barristers, and litigants?

Justice Jim Williams is a Justice of the Family Division of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia since 1999. His qualifications include; B.Sc. Psychology University of Alberta, M.S.W. and LL.B. Dalhousie University, and Master of Judicial Studies University of Nevada, National Judicial college. He holds the post of Associate Director of the National Judicial Institute and is Co-Chair of the Organising Committee of the Federation of Law Societies Summer Program on Family Law. He previously has been Host Chair & presenter at the World Congress on Children's Rights and Family Law.

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