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8:00 am	Registration
8:30 am	CLEO's Steps to Justice Website: a Tool for Student & Teacher Legal Research Nat Paul
9:30 am	Break
9:45 am	Mock Trials for the Classroom and Competition Christopher Ferguson Jason Hatch
11:30 am	Lunch Break
12:45 pm	Issues in International Law  Genocide, war crimes, gender-related issues in international law, and the International Criminal Court Valerie Oosterveld  The UN and the International Court of Justice Ryan Liss  International trade, the new USMCA treaty, and the impact of the Trump administration on Canadian trade Chi Carmody
2:00 pm	Break
2:15 pm	Marijuana Legalization and Youth George A. Hamzo Robert Solomon
3:30 pm	Closing



#### **2018 SPEAKERS**

#### Chi Carmody

Chi Carmody is an Associate Professor at Western University Faculty of Law. He obtained his LL.B. from the University of Ottawa, his LL.M. from the University of Michigan, and his S.J.D. from Georgetown University. He currently teaches courses in International Trade Law, Public International Law and Contracts. Since 2002 he has been Canadian National Director of the Canada-United States Law Institute, a joint creation of Western Law and the Case Western Reserve University School of Law in Cleveland, Ohio, which since 1976 has promoted discussion of legal issues arising in the bilateral relationship between Canada and the United States.

Professor Carmody has been a Visiting Professor at Université Montpellier I (June 2000), Visiting Adjunct Professor at Georgetown University Law Center (Fall 2001), Emile Noël Fellow at the Jean Monnet Center for International & Regional Economic Law & Justice, NYU Law School (2005-06) and Université de Reims (June 2011). His current work focuses on developing a general theory of World Trade Organization (WTO) law, which is the subject of his forthcoming monograph, *A Theory of WTO Law: a theory of law* (Cambridge University Press).

### George A. Hamzo

George A. Hamzo is an Associate Lawyer at Lerners LLP in the Business Law Group and Commercial Litigation Group. He practices primarily in Employment Law. He attended at Huron University College and obtained his B.A. in political science. He later attended at the University of Waterloo and obtained his M.A. in Global Governance. In 2014, he graduated from Western Law and was called to the bar in 2015. From 2015 onwards, George has been practicing in the area of litigation and business law. He has appeared at various levels of court and represented his clients in front of numerous tribunals.

### Ryan Liss

**Ryan Liss** joined the Faculty of Law in 2018 as an Assistant Professor. His research focuses on criminal law and public international law (including international criminal law, international human rights law, and international humanitarian law), examining the ways in which human rights construct and constrain state power in both areas.

Ryan holds an undergraduate degree and a J.D. from the University of Toronto, and an LL.M. and J.S.D. from Yale Law School, where he studies as a Trudeau Scholar and a SSHRC Doctoral Fellow. Prior to joining Western, he served as an Associate-in-Law at Columbia Law School, and as a visiting fellow at the Schell Centre for International Human Rights at Yale Law School and the Centre for Ethics at the University of Toronto. He clerked for Chief Justice Warren Winkler and the justices of the Court of Appeal for Ontario, and has worked with the International Criminal Court, the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, and the Coalition for the ICC.

#### <u>Valerie</u> Oosterveld

Valerie Oosterveld is an Associate Professor of international law at Western Law, where she teaches Public International Law and the Capstone in International Law. Her research focuses on gender issues within international criminal justice. She is the Associate Director of Western's Centre for Transitional Justice and Post-Conflict Reconstruction, a Western University Faculty Scholar, and a Member of the College of New Scholars, Artists and Scientists of the Royal Society of Canada.

Before joining Western Law in July 2005, Valerie served in the Legal Affairs Bureau of Canada's Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade. In this role, she provided legal advice on international criminal accountability for genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes, especially with respect to the International Criminal Court (ICC), the International Criminal Tribunals for the Former Yugoslavia and Rwanda, the Sierra Leone Special Court, and other transitional justice mechanisms. Valerie served as a gender expert on the Canadian delegation to the 1998 Rome Diplomatic Conference (which adopted the Statute of the ICC) and the 2010 Review Conference of the Rome Statute of the ICC in Kampala, Uganda. She earned her J.S.D. and LL.M. from Columbia University, LL.B. from the University of Toronto, and B.Soc.Sc. from the University of Ottawa.

### Robert Solomon

Professor Solomon obtained his LL.B. from Osgoode Hall Law School in 1970 and his LL.M. from Yale Law School in 1972. He holds the rank of Distinguished University Professor in the Faculty of Law at Western University. He has won teaching awards at the faculty, university and provincial level. He has engaged in research on drug and alcohol policy, and health care and criminal law for over 45 years and is widely published in his areas of expertise.

Professor Solomon served on the Board of Directors of the Ontario Addiction Research Foundation and was a founding member of the Canadian Drug Reform Foundation. He has frequently appeared as an expert witness before various Parliamentary Committees, briefed the Prime Minister and other senior Parliamentarians, and served as a consultant to numerous government and other organizations. Professor Solomon has been the National Director of Legal Policy for Mothers Against Drunk Driving Canada since 1998. The International Council on Alcohol, Drugs and Traffic Safety honoured Professor Solomon with the 2007 Widmark Award for his "outstanding and sustained" contribution to traffic safety research. In addition, he received the 2010 Kaiser Foundation National Award for Excellence in Public Policy and a Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012 for his work on alcohol and drug policy. His recent interests include the laws governing medical cannabis use, the legalization of recreational cannabis use, and the new drug-impaired driving laws.



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