



BIOGRAPHIES – ASSOCIATIONS SPECIALIST NETWORK SESSION

Associations Specialist Network Session: The Unique Role of Associations in Upholding the Rule of Law: Engaging in public education, resource advocacy, and labour relations

Chair:

Kate Matthews, Vice-President, Canadian Association of Crown Counsels, Canada

Kate Matthews is a senior prosecutor with the Ministry of the Attorney General - Ontario, a position she has held since 1999. In that role, she has prosecuted a full range of criminal offences and held positions on specialized prosecution teams. Within her office, Ms. Matthews has held several leadership roles, including Deputy Crown Attorney.

Ms. Matthews is active in the broader legal community and has held leadership positions in several legal organizations. She is currently the President of the Canadian Association of Crown Counsel and a member of the IAP Executive Committee. In these roles, she has spoken frequently in the media and as a panelist at Continuing Legal Education events.

Speakers:

Immaculate Draru, Chief State Attorney and President of the Uganda Association of Prosecutors, Uganda

Ms. Immaculate Angutoko Draru is a Chief State Attorney with the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) Uganda. She is the President of Uganda Association of Prosecutors (UAP) and ordinary member of IAP Executive Committee representing Africa region.

She currently deputizes the Department of Research and Training at ODPP and is the Coordinator of the ODPP Virtual Learning Academy in which role she has coordinated, organized as well as facilitated various training and capacity building activities for Prosecutors locally and internationally. She also lectures at the Law Development Centre on Part-Time basis.

Immaculate has a wealth of experience at national and international level where she has prosecuted a plethora of complex criminal cases and appeals including cases of trafficking in persons (TIP) which earned her an award from Kyampisi Child Care Ministries in 2023 for distinguished role in prosecuting cases of TIP in Uganda. She is very passionate about seeking Justice for victims of crime, continuous legal education for Prosecutors and appellate practice through which she has significantly contributed to criminal Jurisprudence in Uganda.

Previously, Immaculate contributed to the activities of the Office of the Prosecutor, International Criminal Court (ICC) by participating among others in evidence review, factual analysis and legal research as a Visiting Professional. She also served as a Judicial Affairs Officer with United Nations Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNSOM) on secondment, where she provided expert advice and support in developing overarching strategies for strengthening justice institutions in Somalia, UNSOM rule of law mandate and enhancing capacity of Prosecutors and Judges through trainings.

Immaculate holds an LLB from Makerere University, LLM (Utrecht University), PGD in Project Planning and Management (Uganda Management Institute) and is pursuing a MBA (University of East London).

Padma Rao Lakkaraju, Vice President, All India Prosecutors Association, India

Official designation : advocate, supreme court of India
& its subordinate courts.

other designation : national vice president, all India prosecutors association.

academic qualifications : bachelor of commerce & bachelor in law

Worked as a prosecuting officer from 2008 to February 2017 in various faculties like Indian Penal Code, Juvenile Justice Act, Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act and other various penal Acts. Later practicing as an Advocate in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India and its subordinate Courts till date.

Standing counsel for Government of India to the prestigious Institutions like National Highway Authority of India, All India Institute of Medical Sciences, Central Administrative Tribunal etc.

As a part of pro bono activities, I am the legal adviser for various NGO's , to name one called "SAKSHAM" which deals with Physically challenged people rights. Visting Guest Lecturer for various institutions like Symbiosis University, AIIMS etc.

Adam Dalrymple, President, British Crown Counsel Association, Canada

Adam has been a prosecutor for approximately 17 years and is the President of the British Columbia Crown Counsel Association as well as the Vice-President of the Canadian Association of Crown Counsel. As a director and member of the executive of these Associations he has focused on mental health and wellness for prosecutors, good governance, access to justice, and prosecutorial independence. He is a strong proponent of prosecution exchange programs. In 2017, he spearheaded the first mental health survey of prosecutors in British Columbia and Canada. His prosecution practice is varied. He is currently assigned to Vancouver Youth Court and a largely Indigenous circuit court on British Columbia's Central Coast. When he's not working, he enjoys to travel, workout, hike, softball, and walk his 4 year old Chocolate Labrador Retriever, Bourbon, on the many trails in and around Vancouver.

Donna Kellway, President, Ontario Crown Attorneys' Association

Donna Kellway received her LLB from the University of Toronto Faculty of law in 1993 and articulated for what was then Canada's largest criminal defence firm, Pinkofsky Lockyer Kwinter. She became the firm's first and only full equity female partner and remained in that law firm until 2008.

Ms. Kellway joined the Ministry of the Attorney General (MAG) Scarborough Crown's office in Ontario, Canada, as an Assistant Crown Attorney in 2008. Joining the Crown's office as an experienced litigator, she immediately commenced homicide prosecutions for the Crown. While working as an Assistant Crown Attorney, she always had carriage of multiple homicide and other serious prosecutions. Shortly after joining the Crown's office, she also became an Education Representative for the Ontario Crown Attorneys' Association (OCAA). She has served as a course director for OCAA/MAG summer school. She was a Borough Board Director for the OCAA before becoming Vice-President Collective Bargaining in 2022. She is currently the President of the OCAA and has been in this role since May of 2024.

She has regularly given lectures to Police, Crowns, defence, and law students on various legal and ethical issues. She has sat on numerous Boards of Directors, including boards serving a local community centre and for a women's shelter. She speaks at the IAP in her capacity as President of the Ontario Crown Attorneys' Association and not on behalf of the Ministry of the Attorney General or the Criminal Law Division.