

Call for Proposals

for the 7th Canadian Association for Food Law
and Policy Conference

RECENTERING FOOD LAW AND POLICY:

Connecting People and Place

Canada is the second-largest country by total area, with the world's longest coastline. Despite our vast size and geographical diversity, our food systems remain deeply interconnected. The food we produce and consume often travels long distances. In the process, disruptions in supply chains, labour shortages, food safety concerns and extreme climate events in one area, can have ripple effects near and far, impacting how our food systems function as well as the availability and accessibility of food across the country.

For our 7th Canadian Association for Food Law and Policy conference – and our first above the 45th parallel – we will explore questions of interconnectedness in food systems. We will do so by decentering and recentering ourselves. More specifically, we will explore how interconnections may be experienced differently when examined from different perspectives and vantage points. For example, what can we learn about the state of our food systems and our modes of governance by foregrounding northern, rural, remote and Indigenous communities in our analysis? How can a deeper understanding of Indigenous food systems, laws and governance as well as their relationship to Canadian law inform our work? How do our relationships with the natural environment impact food systems, and conversely how do our relationships with food impact the natural environment?

Nov 2-4, 2023

Hosted by the
Bora Laskin
Faculty of Law



King Lake P20
Middle Falls P18
Naves NT8
Quatick M10
Rainbow Falls NT7
Sibley NT6
White Lake P19

To indicate the location of any particular locality on this map, reference should be made to the "1:50,000 Scale Topographical Features in District" obtained from the Department of Lands and Forests.

and shown in the Lake and Storm Bay
plans and sheets, Publication 50-1000, from
which additional copies of this map may be obtained.

Scale 1:500,000 or 1 Inch to 8 Miles

ALGOMA
Tribal District Boundary
Provincial Park

The King's Highway with Route Number
Secondary Highway with Route Number
Other Road
Road, dry weather (unimproved)
Elevation (feet)
Elevation (metres)
Hydro Electric Transmission Line
Hydro Electric Generating Station
Rapid
Falls
Dam
Instream water management
Indian Reserve

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Hosted by Bora Laskin Faculty of Law, this year's conference will bring together scholars, practitioners, policymakers, students, community advocates and stakeholders from across the country for collective learning, conversations, connection and more. We invite abstracts for individual presentations and panels in French and/or English. Abstracts should be no more than 300 words. Possible topics for submissions could include, but are not limited to:

- Governing supply chains in an era of multiple and ongoing crises (from labour shortages, to international conflicts, to pandemics etc.)
- Adapting food safety regulations to respond to sustainability demands, human health concerns and technological innovations
- Navigating pressing issues in agriculture law and policy, including sustainable production, big data, farmland inequality, consolidation and farmer succession planning
- Tensions between harvesting and safeguarding fisheries
- The impact of international trade and investment agreements – as well as Canada's trade policies – in shaping food systems domestically and abroad
- The role of northern urban centers, like Thunder Bay, in governing and participating in local, regional and national food systems
- The legal challenges and opportunities facing Indigenous, northern, rural and remote food systems, as well as food systems actors, such as producers and harvesters, hunters and fishers, producers, entrepreneurs, processors, retailers and eaters
- The intersections between food systems and human rights, particularly the rights of Indigenous Peoples

*Participants will have the opportunity to have papers published in a special issue of the Lakehead Law Journal

Abstracts are due June 9th, 2023

For more information and to submit a proposal, visit www.foodlaw.ca



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