



# A Critical Conversation <sup>TM</sup>

## *Early Lessons Learned from Cannabis for Regulatory Professionals*

Monday, April 8, 2019 | 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Richcraft Hall Conference Rooms (2220-2228)  
Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario



*Opening Remarks*

**Dr. Graeme Auld** is the Director and Associate Professor at the School of Public Policy and Administration. He holds a BSc in Forestry from the University of British Columbia, and a Masters in Forest Policy from Auburn University (USA) and a PhD in Environmental Politics from Yale University.

Graeme's research focuses on comparative environmental politics and policy, global environmental governance, and the rise of private governance and authority. Much of his work examines the formation, evolution, and impacts of non-state and hybrid forms of global governance across economic sectors. He also researches the design and efficacy of policy aimed at tackling global problems such as climate change.



*Facilitator*

**Dr. Robert Slater** is Adjunct Professor in the School of Public Policy and Administration at Carleton University where he is also the Executive Director of the Regulatory Governance Initiative.

Dr. Slater occupied several senior positions during a 32-year career at Environment Canada and including the role of Senior Assistant Deputy Minister for eight years. He was instrumental in establishing the National Roundtable on the Environment and the Economy, the International Institute for Sustainable Development and the UNU Institute for Water, Environment and Health. He played a lead role in the renegotiation of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement, Acid Rain Agreements with Provincial Governments, the Canada-US Accord on Air Quality, and the Green Plan. He led preparations for Canada's role in the UN Conference on the Environment ("Earth Summit") in Rio de Janeiro in 1992. He was responsible for legislative initiatives leading to the Canadian Environmental Protection Act (CEPA) and the Species at Risk Act (SARA) and led the development of regulations limiting lead in gasoline and bringing auto emissions standards in line with those in US.

He chaired the International Joint Commission's Great Lakes Water Quality Board from 1976 to 1982.

After he left the public service, he founded a consulting company in the field of sustainable development which operated internationally and was a member of the National Roundtable on the Environment and the Economy for 6 years. Before joining the public service, he was co-founder of Pollutech, an environmental consulting company. He was awarded degrees from Imperial College of Science and Technology and was appointed a Member of the Order of Canada in 2009.



*Presenter*

**John Clare** is currently the Acting Director General of the Strategic Policy Directorate in the Controlled Substances and Cannabis Branch, the federal office created to support the Government's commitment to legalize, regulate and restrict the sale of cannabis. John has varied experience working in legislative and regulatory policy, and has held a range of positions over his 15 years with the Government of Canada, including Director of Privacy and Data Protection Policy in the Department of Innovation, Science and Economic Development (formerly Industry Canada), and the Director of Energy Policy at Natural Resources Canada. He has a Degree from the University of Alberta and is the proud father of a 12 year old boy.



*Presenter*

**Dale Tesarowski** joined Legal Aid Manitoba as an articling student in June 1981 in Thompson Manitoba. He became Supervising Attorney there before transferring to the Crown's office in 1985. Dale transferred to Winnipeg and worked in the Youth, Domestic Violence, Provincial Trials, QB trials, and Appellate units until 2001. He then worked as a Supervising Senior Crown Attorney, running Manitoba's Youth Prosecutions. He then was seconded to implement the YCJA. In 2004, he became a member of the Commercial Crime unit, where he prosecuted major fraud and theft cases.

In 2006, Dale moved to Regina to do Saskatchewan's criminal law policy work with the Justice Ministry. He was promoted as executive director of the newly created Corporate Initiatives Branch in 2017.

Dale serves as national co-chair, Coordinating Committee of Senior Officials Youth Justice as well as co-chairs CCSO Criminal's Cybercrime and Impaired Driving Working Groups. He sits on approximately a dozen other working groups at the FPT level.

Dale also coordinates Saskatchewan's cannabis legalization implementation and sits on several associated task groups.



*Presenter*

**Greg Engel** is a senior executive with 30 years of national and international experience in the pharmaceutical, biotechnology, cannabis and consumer packaged goods industries. Mr. Engel has led the creation, development and growth of several companies over the span of his career. An articulate and trusted voice in the burgeoning Canadian cannabis space, Mr. Engel most recently worked with a competitive licensed producer to become the first Canadian exporter of medical cannabis, as well as the establishment of several trailblazing industry standards. As leader at Organigram Inc, Mr. Engel is focused on reputational excellence through product quality and safety, expansion of the company's Moncton, N.B. facility, and production efficiencies to position the company as a leader in the Medical and Adult Recreational Cannabis industries. Mr. Engel graduated from the University of Guelph with an Honours Bachelor of Science in Microbiology.



*Rapporteur*

**Susan Phillips** is Professor and Supervisor of the Master of Philanthropy and Nonprofit Leadership in Carleton University's School of Public Policy and Administration in Ottawa. She served as Director of the School from 2005 to 2014, and was instrumental in creating the Regulatory Governance Initiative and the Critical Conversation format. Her research focuses on public policy and regulation of charities and philanthropy, and on cross-sector collaboration.

Susan has held many visiting academic positions including at the University of Cambridge, University of Pennsylvania and the Australian Centre for Philanthropy and Nonprofit Studies, Queensland University of Technology. She is Editor-in-Chief of Nonprofit and Voluntary Sector Quarterly, the leading international journal in the nonprofit field and a former board member of the International Research Society for Public Management. Her work in building research on public policy in the charitable and nonprofit sector has been recognized by the 2016 Distinguished Service Award for by Canada's Association for Research in Nonprofits and Social Economy.