#### **Bancroft Institute for Studies on Workers' Compensation and Work Injury**

Policy and Research Discussion Series: # 2 Autumn 2013

## **Unjust by Design**

## **Keynote Speaker**



#### S. Ronald Ellis, LLB, PhD

Ron Ellis is an administrative law lawyer, teacher, academic, and arbitrator, with extensive experience as an adjudicative tribunal adjudicator and administrator. His administrative justice background includes 5 years of PhD studies in administrative justice at Osgoode Hall Law School, 12 years as the inaugural Chair of Ontario's

Workers' Compensation Appeals Tribunal (now WSIAT) and 5 years as Director/Co-Director of Osgoode Hall's Parkdale Community Legal Services clinic. He is currently an adjunct professor at Osgoode Hall Law School and is on his third term as a member at large of the OBA's Admin Law Section executive.

## **Keynote Abstract**

Ellis will speak about the issues presented by his new book "Unjust by Design – Canada's Administrative Justice System" (UBC Press, 2013). The book claims that Canada's system of administrative justice is - and always has been - a justice system in which the rule of law is a with its adjudicative tribunals stranger, independent nor impartial and only providentially competent. It is, Ellis claims, a constitutionally invalid system that is in dire need of foundational, indeed revolutionary, structural reform. Unjust by Design also presents a modern theory of administrative justice that takes issues with traditional jurisprudence and provides a detailed blueprint for the structural changes Ellis believes to be essential, as well as a strategy for implementing those changes.

Bancroft Institute for Studies on Workers' Compensation and Work Injury is a collaborative of injured workers, advocates and academics. Its goals are to address the needs and concerns of injured workers in Ontario and across Canada through community-engaged research activities; to promote education and research on workers' compensation and injured worker experiences; and to inform legislation, policies, programs and practices.



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### Time, Venue and Agenda

Thursday October 10, 2013 10:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

# Alumni Hall VC112 Victoria University

in the University of Toronto
73 Queen's Park Crescent (East Side)
Toronto ON M5S 1K7

Refreshments will be served. RSVP appreciated: BancroftInstitute@gmail.com The event is free, with a suggested donation of \$5 for waged attendees. Tokens are available for unwaged attendees.



#### Discussion Series Venue

Victoria
University in
the University
of Toronto
Alumni Hall
VC112



