SOGIC continues to rebuild and resurge after some time spent defunct. This year we focused on having interesting and engaging speakers, often partnering with other sections to show the Queer lens on other areas of law.

September 16, 2020

'Queerness & Professionalism: What does it mean to be Out at the Bar?'

An exploration of the expectations placed on lawyers in professional contexts, and the specific impact these expectations have on Queer lawyers.

Jacq Brasseur, RSW, BSW, MEd, Consultant (they/them)

Barton Soroka, Gerrand Rath Johnson (he/him)

March 3rd, 2021

Collaborating for Change – Amending the Saskatchewan Human Rights Code to Protect Gender Identity and Expression

A story of community, government, and individual efforts made towards changing the Saskatchewan Human Rights Code in 2014 to include gender identity, and the continuing work to now include gender expression.

Rachel Loewen Walker, PhD University of Saskatchewan (she/her)

April 22nd, 2021

Explicit Inclusion: Lessons from CBABC SOGIC on advocating for Gender Inclusive Language in the Justice System

A discussion of the recent reforms by BC courts to utilize gender inclusive forms of address in court and best practices for inclusion and sensitivity to the access to justice concerns encountered by gender diverse persons, including lawyers and parties.

Dustin Klaudt, Klaudt Law (he/him)

Lisa Nevan, Department of Justice (they/them)

May 3rd, 2021

A Conversation with Zoey Kim-Zeggelaar, Crown Prosecutor

Zoey Kim-Zeggelaar is a transwoman working for Crown Prosecutions in Regina, and a self-proclaimed expert when it comes to evidence. But when she began her legal career in private practice, she was presenting as a man. Zoey has been defense counsel and Crown Prosecutor. She's also been a member of the Saskatchewan Bar while presenting as a man and being a woman.

Zoey Kim-Zeggelaar, Crown Prosecutions (she/her)

June 2nd, 2021

Back in the Closet: The Intersection of Elder Law and Queer Identity

An exploration of the intersection of Queer identity with Wills, Estate, and Elder law. As the Stonewall generation continues to age, many feel unseen and unheard. Their unique life circumstance are often not reflected in precedent forms or lawyer's experiences.

Cheryl Loadman Saskatoon Service for Seniors (she/her)