



Biographies of experts featured in *Consent*

Joanna Birenbaum, Ursel Phillips Fellows Hopkinson LLP, Toronto

Joanna Birenbaum is a litigator specializing in equality and human rights, professional discipline and regulation, employment law, and domestic violence and sexual assault law. Called to the bar in 1998, Joanna's social justice practice has included Aboriginal and treaty rights litigation and advocacy, equality test case litigation, and policy development and analysis relating to access to justice, particularly for marginalized women experiencing violence. Joanna has appeared at all levels of Court including the Supreme Court of Canada. Most recently, Joanna was counsel for the Canadian Association for Community Living in its Supreme Court intervention in *R. v. Nur* (Charter challenge to a mandatory minimum sentence) and co-counsel for the Barbra Schlifer Commemorative Clinic's intervention in *R. v. Quesnelle* (on the the criminal code regime to protect the private records of sexual assault complainants). Joanna was a 2014-2015 McMurtry Fellow at Osgoode Hall Law School and is adjunct faculty, teaching in the areas of women's equality and feminist legal advocacy.

Kim Buchanan, University of Southern California Law, Los Angeles

Kim Shayo Buchanan specializes in constitutional law, international and comparative human rights law, prisoners' rights, reproductive rights, race, gender and sexuality. Her research explores the intersections of race, gender and sexuality in criminal justice. She teaches constitutional law, reproductive rights, race, gender and sexualities, and international human rights law.

Lise Gotell, Department of Women's and Gender Studies, University of Alberta, Edmonton

Lise Gotell is Professor and Chair of Women's and Gender Studies at the University of Alberta. Her research expertise is in the area of gender and law she has published on such topics as equality litigation, constitutional jurisprudence, obscenity law and sexual assault. She is a co-author of *Bad Attitude/s on Trial: Feminism, Pornography and the Butler Decision* (1997) and a co-editor of *Open Boundaries: A Canadian Women's Studies Reader* (2009). For the past several years, her published work has focused on the implications of Canadian sexual assault reforms, including interrogating the legal standard for consent and evaluating the effectiveness of legislative restrictions on sexual history evidence and confidential records. Dr. Gotell is a founding member of Sexual Assault Voices of Edmonton, a community-police-academic collaboration that uses social marketing to educate about consent and to change attitudes that contribute to sexual assault.

Beri Hull, International Community of Women Living with HIV (ICW), Washington DC
Beri Hull is the Global Advocacy Officer for the International Community of Women Living with HIV and AIDS (ICW). Beri began as an advocate for harm reduction and people living with HIV. In the beginning her focus was geared more towards preventing HIV but later shifted toward care, holistic health, treatment, human rights, improving quality of life, and longevity for people living with HIV worldwide. Beri is originally from Cincinnati, Ohio, where she was born and raised.

Alana Klein, McGill University Faculty of Law, Montreal

Alana Klein teaches and researches in health law, criminal law, and human rights. The position of marginalized groups and individuals in decentralized and privatized systems and the role of accountability requirements in governance and decision-making are primary preoccupations in her research. Prior to joining the Faculty, she was a senior policy analyst with the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network, where she worked on HIV/AIDS and immigration, legal and other barriers to harm-reduction programs for people who use illegal drugs, and law reform to promote the rights of women and girls in the context of HIV/AIDS in sub-Saharan Africa. She has taught at Columbia Law School and Columbia University and has interned with the International Refugee Program at the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights (now Human Rights First) and with the Palestinian Ministry of Economy and Trade. In 2002-2003, she was a law clerk to former Supreme Court of Canada justice Louise Arbour and she was appointed to the Ontario Human Rights Commission in 2006.

Lenore Lukasik-Foss, SACHA, Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton and Area), Hamilton

Lenore Lukasik-Foss has been working in the women's anti-violence movement for the last 25 years and has expertise in education and outreach, counseling, integrating intersectional/anti-oppressive practice and program development. She is currently the Director of SACHA, the Sexual Assault Centre (Hamilton & Area) and Interim President of the Ontario Coalition of Rape Crisis Centres.

Elaine Craig, Schulich School of Law, Halifax

Elaine is an Assistant Professor at Schulich School of Law. She holds an LLM from Yale and a JSD from Dalhousie University. She teaches constitutional law and tort law. Her research interests include sexual assault law, feminist legal theory, legal ethics, evidence law and constitutional law.

Darien Taylor, Toronto

Darien Taylor was one of the first women living with HIV in Canada to be out about her status. In the late 1980s, she created a framework of activism-informed treatment and service responses for women living with HIV at a time when [they] had yet to be included in this work. With a \$1,000 Canada Council Explorations Grant, she and co-editor Andrea Rudd created an international anthology of works by women living with HIV "from scratch," mailing thousands of requests for contributions to AIDS service organizations and women's health clinics worldwide in multiple languages. *Positive Women: Voices of Women Living with AIDS* was published by Second Story Press in Toronto in 1992. Realizing the profound isolation of women with HIV as a result of this anthology, Darien and Andrea founded Voices of Positive Women, a provincial organization for women living with HIV/AIDS. Darien

actively participated with AIDS ACTION NOW! and prior to her retirement, she worked as the Director of Program Delivery at CATIE.