

Equality Issues Section Report 2010-2011

Activities of the Equality Issues Section from September, 2010 to June, 2011:

- On June 22, 2011, the Equality Issues Section will be hosting a panel discussion on the recent s. 15 case of *Withler v. Canada (Attorney General)*. The panel will talk about the implications of this case, particularly with respect to comparator groups and substantive equality, and also how it builds on the Kapp test.
- On January 6, 2011, the Equality Issues Section met to discuss the CBA Standing Committee on Equity's RARE Finds Project, in particular to talk about issues relating to women and members of other marginalized or vulnerable groups leaving the profession. We provided the CBA Committee with the Section's feedback for the project.
- On September 22, 2010, the Equality Issues Section hosted an information session on EI maternity and parental benefits for self-employed lawyers.

Respectfully submitted,
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