Lisa Philipps

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Professor of Law, specializing in taxation law and fiscal policy

Biography

Professor Lisa Philipps teaches and writes about taxation law and fiscal policy. She is known for incisive expert commentary on budgets, taxes, law, gender and social policy, and higher education policy. On faculty at Osgoode Hall Law School since 1996, Philipps has published widely on topics such as registered savings plans, tax expenditures, income splitting and family taxation, balanced budget laws, judicial approaches to tax law, taxes and disability, and charitable donation tax incentives. In her scholarship and in the classroom, she explores the basic values and policy choices at play in designing a fair and efficient tax system. Professor Philipps has provided commissioned research and advice to a number of bodies. In 2015 she was appointed as Special Counsel to Ontario's Ministry of Finance. She practised tax law with the firm of Blake, Cassels & Graydon prior to embarking on her academic career, and taught at the Universities of Victoria and British Columbia before joining York University. She has held a number of leadership roles at the Law School and University levels, most recently as Interim Dean of the Bora Laskin Faculty of Law at Lakehead University (fall 2015), and Associate Vice-President Research at York University from 2011-14. An active volunteer, she serves as Director of Research Policy on the Board of the Federation for the Humanities and Social Sciences, a national non-profit organization. She is also appointed as a member of the Provincial Judges Pension Board. Professor Philipps received her LLB from the University of Toronto and her LLM from York University. She was called to the Bar of Ontario in 1988.

Industry Expertise

Education/Learning, Legal Services, Research, Women, Public Policy, Non-Profit/Charitable

Areas of Expertise

Budget Laws, Fiscal Policy, Gender and Economic Equality, Tax Policy, Income Splitting , Work-Integrated Learning

Affiliations

Member : Senior Women Academic Administrators of Canada, Member : Canadian Tax Foundation, Member : Canadian Association of Law Teachers

Education

York University LL.M. Law

Accomplishments

Bar

Called to the Bar of Ontario, 1988

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