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The Employment Standards Handbook, Third Edition offers a thorough explanation of the scope of the Ontario Employment Standards Act, 2000, a clearer understanding of the policies used by the Employment Practices Branch of the Ministry of Labour in the administration of the Act and reliable updates on this rapidly changing area of law. It includes the full text of the Act and all regulations, a discussion of the various provisions of the Act and a collection of Digests referenced to the applicable portions of the book.

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Highlights

REVIEWS BY THE BOARD - APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW-SECTION 116 - HEARING - In *Ipsos Interactive Services Limited Partnership (Re)*, E.S.C. 1389-22-ES, 1390-22-ES (September 6, 2023—McCrory), 2023 CarswellOnt 14627, the Board has described the nature of a hearing *de novo* as follows: "The Board rarely explains precisely what it means by a hearing de novo or the consequences, but in my view, it means that the Board is not bound by any of the findings of fact or law made by the ESO and does not need to find an error of law or fact by the ESO in order to come to a contrary conclusion. The review process is not an appeal. Typically, the Board does not stand in judgement or concern itself with the process conducted by the ESO and determines the case on the basis of the materials before it. This is why a review hearing before the Board has been said by the Board to be an adequate response to errors of fact or law or irregularities that may have been made by the ESO."

REVIEWS BY THE BOARD - APPLICATIONS FOR REVIEW-SECTION 116 - RES JUDICATA AND ISSUE ESTOPPEL - In Gogia (Amit) (Prinex Media Inc.) (Re), E.S.C. 2389-22-ES (March 2, 2023—McCrory), 2023 CarswellOnt 3736, the Board described the doctrine of res judicata as: "for the doctrine of res judicata to apply, a matter must involve the same parties, the same issue or cause of action, arising from the same facts, and a decision by a competent court or tribunal disposing of the matter. The doctrine of res judicata provides that claims that have already been adjudicated cannot be revived. The underlying principle is that parties are entitled to some confidence that matters concerning them, which have already been determined, cannot be resurrected and re-litigated".

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