The Adjudication of Religious Refugee Claims

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Many who seek refugee status in Canada claim to “have a well-founded fear of persecution based on ...religion” if returned to their home country. An ongoing study is analyzing the religious concepts and criteria that the Immigration and Refugee Board applies in adjudicating such claims. This presentation will share initial findings from that study. It will also compare the legal framework for adjudicating religious persecution claims with the framework for adjudicating religious freedom violations.

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