

Bianca Kratt, K.C. begins her term as President of the Canadian Bar Association

National (September 2, 2025) – BLG Partner Bianca Kratt, K.C. has begun a one-year term as President of the Canadian Bar Association (CBA), succeeding Lynne M.J. Vicars. Bianca previously served as Vice-President from 2024 to 2025.

A commercial real estate lawyer with more than 20 years of experience, Bianca advises clients on leasing, acquisitions and dispositions, secured lending and project development.

Bianca's commitment to the profession extends beyond her practice. She was president of the CBA Alberta Branch from 2021–2022, is a past president of the Association des juristes d'expression française de l'Alberta and serves on the advisory committee of the Canadian chapter of the International Association of Women Judges. She also sits on the Law Commission of Canada advisory council and, in 2023, served on the Independent Advisory Board for Supreme Court of Canada judicial appointments.

Bianca's theme for the year, *Building a Resilient Legal Profession*, reflects her view that resilience means preparing for what lies ahead and adapting as circumstances change. For the legal sector, that includes ensuring courts have adequate resources, supporting lawyers' well-being, using innovations such as artificial intelligence responsibly and building a profession that reflects the diversity of Canada.

"For me [this role] is about more than a title", Bianca said. "It's about showing that leadership can look different. It can come from someone who didn't grow up in a legal family, someone who had to learn English as an adult, someone who carries Indigenous heritage. I hope my journey sends a message that the CBA belongs to all of us, and that every lawyer has a place in shaping the future of our profession."

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