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Kate is an experienced litigator with an extensive commercial litigation practice. She has expertise in the retail, technology, and telecommunications industries, as well as the emerging cannabis market. Kate regularly advises large Canadian corporations on a wide range of commercial disputes.

Kate has expertise in injunction proceedings and extraordinary remedies, including Anton Piller (civil search) and Mareva (asset freezing).

Kate has led motions, appeals, mediations and trials. She has appeared as counsel before the Ontario Court of Appeal, Ontario Divisional Court and Superior Court of Justice.

Insights & Events

- Author, "Canada's Historic Bill C-45 Breaks Ground for the Cannabis Industry ", BLG Article, June 2018
- Author, "Professionalism for In-house Counsel,"
- Author, "The Role of In-house Counsel: Insights and Strategies to Help You Succeed The Seven Deadly Sins: Pitfalls for both In-house and External Counsel
- Co-author, "Class Actions" section of the "Litigation and Mediation" chapter, Ultimate Corporate Counsel Guide, CCH Canadian Limited with the Canadian Corporate Counsel Association



- Speaker, "Recent Updates in Contract Law," BLG In-House Counsel Professional Development Conference
- Speaker, "The Role of In-House Counsel: Insights and Strategies to Help You Succeed The Seven Deadly Sins: Pitfalls for both In-House and External Counsel
- Speaker, Professionalism for In-House Counsel

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member, The Advocates' Society
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, BLG Innovation Committee

Community Involvement

• Member, Governance Committee, Havergal Old Girls Association

Awards & Recognitions

• Recognized in 2022 (and since 2020) edition of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* (Cannabis Law) and recognized in the 2025, 2024 and 2022 editions (Corporate and Commercial Litigation).

Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 2002
- LLB, Osgoode Hall Law School, 2000
- BA (Hons.), Dalhousie University, 1995

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