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Julien focuses his practice on constitutional and administrative law litigation, complex commercial matters and appeal cases, including before the Supreme Court of Canada.

He regularly advises and represents clients with respect to constitutional matters involving the division of powers and fundamental rights and freedoms. His public law practice also extends to various regulatory matters, including with respect to the environment, transportation, official languages, access to information and disciplinary law.

Prior to joining BLG, Julien served in 2018-2019 as a law clerk at the Supreme Court of Canada to the Honourable Madam Justice Suzanne Côté. Before studying law, Julien worked as a journalist and researcher for various regional and national media outlets (print, radio and television).

Experience

- Involved in several cases before the Supreme Court of Canada, including:
 - [6362222 Canada inc. v. Prelco inc., 2021 SCC 39](#): Represented the appellant in a commercial dispute involving the validity of a non-liability clause in Québec civil law
 - [Reference re Code of Civil Procedure \(Que.\), art. 35, 2021 SCC 27](#): Represented an appellant in a reference regarding the constitutional validity of the Québec Court's jurisdiction
 - [Montréal \(City\) v. Deloitte Restructuring Inc., 2021 SCC 53](#): Represented an intervener in a dispute involving the interaction between a voluntary reimbursement program for alleged fraudulent tactics and proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*

- [Grant Thornton LLP v. New Brunswick, 2021 SCC 31](#): Represented an intervener regarding the discoverability rule under a limitation of actions statute in the context of a dispute relating to alleged auditor negligence
- Assisted in securing the acquittal of a multinational company before the Court of Appeal of Québec of penal offences under a by-law on air pollutant emissions
- Contributed to obtaining a stay of the enforcement of a municipal by-law banning billboards
- Represents a national organization advocating for the 2SLGBTQI community that intervened in a constitutional challenge seeking the legal recognition of multiparent families
- Represents the intervener Fédération des associations de juristes d'expression française de common law (FAJEF) in a constitutional dispute relating to the failure of the government of Canada and the government of Québec to enact a French version of large portions of the Constitution of Canada
- Represents and advises several entities regarding official languages issues
- Represents a religious organization invoking its right to freedom of religion to avoid being compelled to contribute to the administration of medical aid in dying (MAiD)
- Represented the Conférence des juges de la Cour du Québec in the legal dispute relating to the scheduling of judges in criminal and penal matters
- Represented a national industry association that intervened in a constitutional challenge to the federal patented medicines regime based on the division of powers
- Part of the trial team that represented the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in the class action and other claims related to the Lac-Mégantic train derailment
- Assisted in obtaining the preliminary dismissal of an application for judicial review and declaratory judgment in connection with the alleged noise impacts of airport operations
- Assists in the preparation of applications for leave to appeal to the Supreme Court of Canada

Insights & Events

- Author, "Top 10 commercial decisions of 2021", BLG Article, February 2022
- Author, "Supreme Court of Canada's decision warns plaintiffs: Act on potential claims", BLG Article, September 2021
- Author, "Flexible and Cooperative Federalism: Distinguishing the Two Approaches in the Interpretation and Application of the Division of Powers", (2020) 40 National Journal of Constitutional Law 1
- Co-Author, "Les injonctions d'application mondiale visant le retrait de résultats de recherche : un nouveau remède d'exception en matière de propriété intellectuelle" (2018) 30:1 Les cahiers de la propriété intellectuelle 129

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member, Young Bar of Montréal
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, The Advocates' Society

Community Involvement

- Member, Board of Directors, Dysphasie-Estrie (2015-2018)

Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2025 edition (and since 2024) of *The Best Lawyers in Canada - Ones to Watch*™ (Corporate and Commercial Litigation)

Bar Admission & Education

- Québec, 2018
- J.D., Queen's University, 2017
- LL.B., Université de Sherbrooke, 2016
- B.A., Political Science, McGill University, 2011

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