### DAVIES



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## Expertise Dispute Resolution

Bar Admissions Ontario, 2021

# Sarah is developing a broad dispute resolution practice.

She has assisted on a diverse range of litigation matters, including class actions, oppression claims, contractual and estate disputes, and an appeal before the Supreme Court of Canada.

#### REPRESENTATIVE WORK

#### **Shaw Communications Inc.**

Successfully acted for Shaw Communications in landmark trial and appellate proceedings in which the Government of Canada challenged the company's C\$26-billion merger with Rogers Communications, the largest contested merger case ever heard in this country. This case was named the #1 business decision of 2023 by *Law360 Canada* and one of *Lexpert*'s Top 10 Business Decisions of 2023.

#### **Confidential client**

Acting for a public company in defence of a proposed securities class action alleging misrepresentations contrary to the *Securities Act* (Ontario) in connection with government contracting and the importation of goods.

#### **Ghermezian Family**

Acting for six members of the Ghermezian family before the Federal Court of Appeal and the Federal Court contesting compliance order applications by the Minister of National Revenue.

#### **TransAlta Corporation**

Acted for TransAlta Corporation in defending an oppression action brought by Mangrove Partners, a minority shareholder. Mangrove sought to set aside a \$750-million strategic transaction entered into between TransAlta and Brookfield Renewable Partners.

#### **Estate Trustees of Barry Sherman and Honey Sherman**

Acted as counsel to Estate Trustees of Barry and Honey Sherman in proceedings against the *Toronto Star* involving a request to unseal court files concerning the Shermans' Estates. The precedent-setting decision by the Supreme Court of Canada in this case created new and important law concerning privacy and court openness.

#### **Barrick Gold Corporation**

Acting for Barrick Gold Corporation and certain of its former and existing officers and directors in defence of multi-billion dollar class actions in Ontario and Québec alleging breaches of the public disclosure requirements under provincial securities legislation concerning Barrick's Pascua Lama mining project in Chile and Argentina.

#### **RECOGNITIONS**

Benchmark Litigation Canada Awards—Impact Case of the Year (2023)

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The Canadian Law Awards—Commercial Litigation Team of the Year (2023)

Law360 Canada—Top Business Decision (2023)

Osgoode Hall Law School—Charles Edward Woodrow Award (2018); Harry R. Rose Criminal Law Prize (2018)

#### **INSIGHTS**

Québec Court Tackles Novel Issues During Approval of the Second Remediation Agreement (a.k.a. Deferred Prosecution Agreement) Under the Canadian Criminal Code May 23, 2023

Law Society of Ontario, The Twelve-Minute Civil Litigator 2022, "Material Adverse Events"; Webcast Sept. 08, 2022

#### **EDUCATION**

Osgoode Hall Law School, JD, 2020 University of Western Ontario, BA (Hons) (with Distinction), 2012