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Expertise
Dispute Resolution

Bar Admissions
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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

Confidential client

Acted 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.

Atlantic Lottery Corporation, British Columbia Lottery Corporation, Manitoba Liquor and Lotteries, Lotteries and Gaming Saskatchewan

Acting for provincial lottery corporations representing seven out of 10 provinces in a criminal law reference before the Court of Appeal for Ontario concerning the scope of a province's authority to conduct and manage online gambling with international aspects.

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 *Expert's* Top 10 Business Decisions of 2023.

Confidential client

Acted for the claimant in a C\$1.1-billion ICC arbitration regarding a major Canadian infrastructure project.

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.

DAVIES

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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)

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