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Legal Education

B.A. McGill University - 1965
LLB - University of Toronto - 1968
Admitted to the Bar of Ontario - 1970

Professional Honours

Appointed Queen's Counsel - January 1, 1982
Awarded the Law Society of Upper Canada Medal – 2008
Awarded the Lexpert Zenith Award – 2012
Fellow of The American College of Trial Lawyers – 1997
Fellow of The International Academy of Trial Lawyers - 2009

Languages

English and French

Practice Areas

Practice areas include civil litigation, commercial litigation, securities litigation, libel and slander litigation, insolvency litigation and environmental litigation. Acts as a mediator and arbitrator.

Legal Employment

1970-1975: Associate and partner, Holden, Murdoch, Walton, Finlay & Robinson.
1976-1979: Counsel and senior litigation partner, Morris/Rose/Ledgett.
1979-1997: Senior litigation partner, Goodman & Goodman, now Goodmans LLP.
1997: Founding partner, Lax O'Sullivan Cronk, now Lax O'Sullivan Lisus Gottlieb LLP.

Professional Recognition

- Featured as one of Canada's top 25 Corporate/Commercial counsel, Lexpert.
- Featured in Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada, Lexpert and American Lawyer Media.
- Featured in Chambers Global, The World's Leading Lawyers.
- Featured in The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers.

Related Legal Activity

- Director and Executive Committee member of The Advocates' Society, 1989-1996. President of The Advocates' Society, 1995-1996.
- Counsel to the Inquiry by Mr. Justice Archie Campbell into the Police Investigation of Paul Bernardo and Karla Homolka, 1996.
- Guest lecturer and demonstrator at trial advocacy symposiums, University of Toronto and Osgoode Hall Law School.
- Guest demonstrator of the techniques of cross-examination Canadian Bar Association Advocacy Symposium, 1988 and The Advocates' Society programs, 2008 and 2009.
- Vice Chair of the University Tribunal, University of Toronto, 2007 to 2014.

Arbitration and Mediation

- Arbitrator, International Centre for Dispute Resolution (AAA).
- Arbitrator, The American Dispute Resolution Centre.
- Arbitrator, The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.
- Completed Harvard Mediation Program, July, 1996.
- Founder: Uncommonsense, an arbitration and mediation provider.
- Member of the Toronto Commercial Arbitration Society, 2010 to present

Professional Positions

Canadian Bar Association: National Environmental Law Chairman, 1977-1979.
Canadian Institute of Resources Law - University of Calgary: Director, 1979-1985.
Member of the Federal/Provincial Task Force on Acid Rain, 1981-1982.
Advocates' Society of Ontario - Director, Executive Committee, 1989-1995.
President, Advocates' Society of Ontario, 1995-1996.
Member of the Toronto Region Court Management Advisory Committee, 1992-1995.
Member of the Toronto Bench and Bar Committee, 1991 to 2006.
Chair of The Advocates' Society Medal Committee, 1990 to 2001.
Chair of the Ontario Province Committee, American College of Trial Lawyers, 2000-2002.

Community Activity

Director, Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, 1988 to 1998.

Director, Rotman Research Institute - Toronto, 1989-1994.

Trustee, Quetico Foundation - Toronto, 1986 to 2006.

Trustee Emeritus, Quetico Foundation, 2006 to present.

Recipient, Arbor Award - University of Toronto, 1994.

Director and Treasurer, McMurtry Gardens of Justice, 1997 to present.