



# Dorothy Charach

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## Bar Admission

Ontario 2012

## Law School

Osgoode Hall Law School

## Practices

Disputes

Dorothy Charach is a partner in our Litigation Group in Toronto. She maintains a broad litigation practice with an emphasis on commercial litigation, professional liability, product liability, class actions, and defamation.

Dorothy has appeared before several courts and tribunals, including the Ontario Court of Appeal, the Divisional Court of Ontario, the Ontario Superior Court, the Ontario Court of Justice, and the Health Professions Appeal and Review Board. She has experience serving as lead counsel at the trial and appellate level.

Dorothy's experience includes:

- Defending multiple physicians in professional liability cases tried by jury;
- Acting for defendants in class action matters, including pharmaceutical and medical device companies, and financial institutions;
- Acting for clients in defamation matters, including on behalf of the former CEO of a large public company in a claims hearing under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*;
- Defending clients in criminal and quasi-criminal proceedings in relation to charges under the Canadian *Criminal Code* and Ontario's *Provincial Offences Act*;
- Successfully obtaining multiple Norwich Orders.

Dorothy is a member of the teaching team for the Trial Advocacy course at Osgoode Hall Law School. She also volunteers as duty counsel for Pro Bono Ontario and assists with McCarthy Tétrault's pro bono criminal defence program, a partnership with the University of Toronto's community legal clinic Downtown Legal Services. She is also a contributing author to the fifth edition of *Defending Class Actions in Canada*, published by Lexis Nexis.

Dorothy completed her BA (Hons.) in English and Psychology in 2008 from the University of Western Ontario. She received her JD from Osgoode Hall Law School in 2011. While attending law school, she won the Arnup Cup Trial Advocacy Moot and received a number of awards, including a Dean's Gold Key Award.

Dorothy was called to the Ontario Bar in 2012. She is a member of the Law Society of Ontario, the Canadian Bar Association, the Ontario Bar Association, and the Advocates' Society.

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## Recent Experience

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## Recent Insights

- **Defending Class Actions in Canada: A Guide for Defendants, 5th Edition, Available Now**  
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February 25, 2019
- **Cannabis Product Liability Class Actions Come to Canada**  
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