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Bar Admission

Québec 2001

Law School

Université de Montréal

Practices

Corporate Commercial Litigation
Litigation and Dispute Resolution
Cyber/Data

An experienced litigator, Karine is known for her strategic thinking and pragmatic approach to dispute resolution that emphasizes our clients' business realities.

Karine Joizil is a partner in our Litigation Group in Montréal. Her practice focuses on civil, commercial and medical liability litigation.

Karine has specialized, diversified experience in the areas of class actions, injunctions and contract disputes in health law and life sciences. She has advised and represented health professionals, clinics, and pharmaceutical, interprovincial rail transport, telecommunications and manufacturing companies in complex litigations and class actions.

Clients appreciate Karine's dedication to their cases, sensitivity and concern for the issues they face, the soundness of her advocacy and the pertinence of her results-oriented approach. She has successfully represented:

- a technology conglomerate in a class proceeding, which sought to impose Internet intermediary liability for failing to remove allegedly defamatory content posted by sexual abuse survivors.
- an ophthalmologist in a class action alleging misleading advertising for the Lasik procedure and undisclosed side effects.
- an airline in a class action heard on merit based on allegations of sound nuisance, neighbourhood disturbances and violations of the *Environment Quality Act*.
- Canada's largest ready-to-eat cereal producer, before the Federal Court and the Federal Court of Appeal, in the context of a challenge to a national class action based on allegations of misrepresentations of the public within the meaning of the *Competition Act*.
- clinics, in the context of injunction applications aimed at putting a stop to demonstrations by activists in the vicinity of their premises.

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- a manufacturer and distributor of food products, in the context of a judicial review of a decision by the Trade Control Policy Division of the Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade.

Karine's expertise also includes the protection of personal information and access to information. She thus represents clients in a variety of economic sectors before courts and administrative tribunals. Karine represents clients before the Access to Information Commission, the Federal Court and the Privacy Commissioner of Canada, in cases related to the Quebec Access to Information Act, the Private Sector Privacy Act, Federal Access to Information Act and PIPEDA.

Over the past few years, Karine has assisted a public body with the implementation of an electronic health record, and was legal counsel to several clients, in the context of service contract revisions with providers of telemedicine platforms, to bring it into compliance with data confidentiality requirements. She has also supported several local and international companies with the implementation of personal information protection policies, the drafting of consents and the conclusion of outsourcing agreements with suppliers.

In addition, Karine has been a lecturer in public and administrative law for close to 15 years at the Montréal training centre of the École du Barreau du Québec and serves as a panelist for training held by the Advocates' Society. She was a contributing author for McCarthy Tétrault's chapter in the first edition of *Artificial Intelligence, Law Over Borders Comparative Guide 2022*.

Since 2016, she has also chaired the board of directors of the government corporation Recyc-Québec.

Karine holds a bachelor of laws degree from Université de Montréal (1999) and, as part of her education, obtained an introduction to French law certificate with distinction. She also holds a specialized graduate diploma in public administration from École nationale d'administration publique (2011). In 2019, she earned a certificate in corporate governance from the Collège des administrateurs de sociétés at Université Laval.

Karine was called to the Quebec Bar in 2001 and is a member of the Canadian Bar Association.

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Awards & Rankings

The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory

Leading Lawyer: Class Actions; Litigation - Corporate Commercial

Lexpert Special Edition: Litigation

Leading Lawyer

Lexpert Special Edition: Technology & Health Sciences

Leading Lawyer

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Leading Lawyer: Class Action Litigation; Health Care Law; Corporate and Commercial Litigation; Biotechnology and Life Sciences Practice

Recent Experience

- **Canadian Association of Black Lawyers intervenes in Quebec Superior Court case concerning racial profiling in police motor vehicle stops**
October 25, 2022

Recent Insights

- **Bill C-63: The Government of Canada intends to establish a new responsibility regime for social media operators and direct content distributors**
March 26, 2024
- **Privacy Legislation Overhaul: Canada Takes a Second Shot at the CPPA**
June 16, 2022

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- **Evidence, an elementary principle at the authorization stage of a class action**

May 31, 2022

- **Could AI get you sued? Artificial intelligence and litigation risk**

April 26, 2022

Events

- **Navigating the Future of AI Law: Understanding the EU AI Act and AIDA**

June 20, 2024

- **Appellate Quarterly - May 2024**

May 15, 2024

- **Canada Class Actions Year in Review – What Happened in 2021 and What to Watch for in 2022**

April 26, 2022

- **12th Annual National Retail and Consumer Markets Summit**

February 23, 2022