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Emily completed her Juris Doctor at The University of Ottawa, where she won the Aird & Berlis LLP Prize for the highest GPA in her first year of the JD program and the Honorable Ray Lawson Scholarship for the top student going from first to second year in the Common Law program. Emily was a writing leader with the university's Writing Academy, as well as a note taker with the Access and Equity office. During her summer after first year, Emily worked as a criminal law intern at the legal aid clinic in Baie-Comeau, La Côte-Nord. Emily completed her final year of law school at the University of Toronto and graduated magna cum laude from the University of Ottawa with the Osgoode Society Prize for Canadian Legal History for graduating in the top ten in her Common Law graduating class.

Emily was born in Toronto, but lived in the province of Quebec for 14 years. She is fluently bilingual in both English and French. She simultaneously completed her Bachelor of Arts degree at McGill University and a Danse-Études professional ballet program in Montreal. She worked as a professional ballet dancer for 10 years, touring and performing across Canada, Europe, and in Thailand. Emily was also a small business owner with 2 partners in Montreal for a number of years, and co-founded a charity that raises money for the Montreal Children's Hospital Craniofacial and Cleft Surgery Unit.

One of Emily's major interests is writing. To that end, she is completing a Masters of Fine Arts in Creative Writing at the University of British Columbia, where she was awarded a Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Grant (SSHRC) and a Special UBC Graduate Scholarship. Emily was long listed for the national CBC Poetry Prize in 2018. She is currently writing a legal biography.

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