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education and year of call

- Called to the Ontario bar - 1997
- University of Ottawa, LLB (*Cum Laude*) - 1995
- University of Toronto, B.A. (Hons.), Double major in History and Philosophy - 1989

practice areas

business law

capital markets

litigation

mergers and acquisitions

industries

banking, finance and insurance

private equity - buyouts & venture

capital investment

manufacturing, distribution and retail

profile

Charlotte Conlin is a member of the firm's Business Law Group. Charlotte has a broad range of experience in shareholder disputes, proxy fights, directors' liability, corporate risk management, mergers and acquisitions, and corporate reorganizations. She also has a depth of experience in commercial litigation and product liability class action litigation.

As a "lawyer's lawyer", Charlotte provides strategic advice and in-depth legal analysis in order to provide her clients with practical, sophisticated yet efficient legal solutions.

representative matters

Recent and Significant Commercial Disputes:

- ***Shesky v. California Gold Mining Inc.***
Representing corporation in an oppression application before the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench.
- ***Concept Capital Management Ltd. v. Oremex Silver Inc.***
(December, 2013)
Successfully represented shareholders in connection with contested AGM. Justice Brown held that the court could set a new record date to prevent improperly issued private placement shares to prevent these shares from being voted at the annual meeting of shareholders.
- ***Larsen v. Royal Standard Minerals*** (2012)
Successfully defended challenge by former Chief Executive Officer regarding disclosure obligations in management information circular.
- ***BCE v. 1976 Debentureholders*** (2008)
Research, legal analysis and drafting legal arguments on behalf of BCE before the Supreme Court of Canada.

Board Advice and Governance Issues:

- **YM Biosciences Inc.** (2013)
Advice to special committee in connection with acquisition by Gilead Sciences Inc.
- **IAMGold** (2004)
Advice to special committee. Legal analysis and litigation support in connection with hostile take-over bid by Golden Star Resources and combination with Gold Fields Ltd.
- **BCE Emergis Inc.** (2004)
Legal advice in connection with sale of United States assets.
- **Bell Canada International Inc.** (2001)
Research, legal analysis, and strategic advice to BCI board in connection with 2001 recapitalization and subsequent plan of arrangement. Ontario Court of Appeal later concluded recapitalization was not oppressive to BCI shareholders.

Restructuring and Class Actions

- **Andersen v. St. Jude Medical Inc.** (2008-2013)
Research, strategic analysis and preparation of submissions before Ontario Superior Court and Ontario Court of Appeal in first medical product liability class action to proceed to trial on the merits.
- **Wilson v. Servier Canada Inc.**
Research, legal analysis, strategic advice and litigation support in national product liability class proceedings.
- **Quebecor World Inc.** (2008)
Legal analysis and preparation of legal argument in initial filing for creditor protection under CCAA and in obtaining court approval what was at the time the largest Debtor In Possession financing in a CCAA proceeding.

publications

November 2019

Short Selling in Canada: Regulations are Weak and a New Path Forward is Needed to Reduce Systemic Risk
Securities and Capital Markets Bulletin

November 2018

Ontario Clarifies Cannabis Retail Rules
Business Law Bulletin

March 2018

In *Aurora*, Securities Regulators Affirm the New Take-over Bid Regime and Signal that Exemptive Relief under the New Regime will Prove to be Difficult and that Tactical Shareholder Rights Plans may be Extinct
Capital Markets, Business Law Bulletin



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Fall 2017

To Warn or Not to Warn - Obligations, Risks and Considerations
in Product Improvements
In-House Defense Quarterly, V.11 number 4

June 2017

Ontario Divisional Court Decision Confirms Shareholders' Right
to Requisition a Meeting
Securities Litigation Bulletin