

CURRICULUM VITAE

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SUMMARY:

Over the course of my professional career, I have acquired considerable arbitration, legal, policy development and public sector management experience, in Canada as well as in the course of various international activities.

As a lawyer, I have presented and argued cases in English and French in all Manitoba courts, in all New Brunswick courts, in the Supreme Court and the Provincial Court of Nova Scotia, as well as in the Federal Court of Canada. I have also acted as an arbitrator in Canada and at the international level, in English and French.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE & POSITIONS OCCUPIED

ARBITRATOR (part-time)

1. Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada (SDRCC) – Montreal (Canada)

May 2021 -

As a member of a tribunal called upon to decide cases involving Canadian athletes in all disciplines.

2. Organisation internationale de la Francophonie (OIF) – Paris (France)

January 2019 -

As chair of the administrative tribunal of the OIF. This tribunal is called upon to decide employment related matters which arise from time to time between the OIF and its staff.

REGISTRAR

Supreme Court of Canada
Ottawa ON

March 2009 – May 2020

As deputy head (chief administrator) of the Office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Canada, the registrar:

- is responsible for the overall administration of the Office of the Registrar of the Supreme Court of Canada, under the direction of the Chief Justice;
- exercises quasi-judicial powers in accordance with the *Supreme Court Act* and *Rules*;
- administers the *Judges Act* in regard to its application to the Judges of the SCC, especially in regard to the proper administration of various allowances and benefits which are payable to the judges; and
- participates in various outreach activities on behalf of the Court, including as a member of Court delegations in regard to bilateral meetings with foreign supreme courts, as well as in the course of activities and meetings of various international associations of supreme courts from around the world.

The registrar is also a member of the Heads of Court Administration (HoCA), a national committee which brings together the lead government officials responsible for court administration and services in all Canadian jurisdictions.

LAWYER

Sole Practitioner
Ottawa ON

October 2006-February 2009

Practising in the areas of public law, government and public policy issues, administrative law, as well as international development work regarding legal structures and governance issues in countries in transition.

One of my major mandates was to act as one of the legal counsel to the ***Commission of Inquiry into the Investigation of the Bombing of Air India Flight 182***. Other mandates included matters for the Security Intelligence Review Committee (SIRC) as well as providing legal opinions to the Canadian Judicial Council (CJC).

HEENAN BLAIKIE LLP

Ottawa ON

August 2004-October 2006

Lawyer practising in the areas of civil and constitutional litigation, government and public policy issues, administrative law, as well as international development work regarding legal structures and governance issues in countries in transition.

GOVERNMENT OF NEW BRUNSWICK

Fredericton NB

Nov 2003 – April 2004 Deputy Minister's Sabbatical Leave Program

July 1999-Oct 2003 Deputy Minister of Justice and Deputy Attorney General

As Deputy Minister of Justice and Deputy Attorney General for the Province of New Brunswick, I managed a major department in the New Brunswick government and exercised several concurrent roles, namely:

- chief executive officer responsible for managing the department and its resources;
- providing advice and input to the provincial Cabinet on major governmental policy \ legislative \ legal issues;
- advising the Minister and participating in numerous federal-provincial-territorial meetings for all Canadian Ministers and Deputy Ministers responsible for Justice, Public Safety, Securities Regulation and Consumer Affairs;
- overseeing several major litigation files involving the provincial government, as for example a complex dispute regarding a public\private partnership project which was resolved by an Alternate Dispute Resolution (ADR) mechanism;
- overseeing major litigation and policy issues touching upon aboriginal claims;
- sitting on various external committees and interacting with various departmental stakeholders;
- meeting and guiding foreign delegations which travelled to New Brunswick on study tours or to witness first hand the work and operations of various government offices;
- being a member of several committees of deputy ministers and ministers dealing with various specialized topics;
- consistently working with a network of federal-provincial-territorial counterparts on various issues and policy matters, both legal and otherwise; and
- participation in international conferences and activities (Africa, Russia) in regard to human rights in « La Francophonie » and issues related to Canadian federalism.

FACULTÉ DE DROIT (Faculty of Law)

Université de Moncton
Moncton NB

- 1984-1999 Associate Professor of Law (*common law* en français), mainly in the following areas: *Trial and Appellate Advocacy; Civil Procedure; Ethics and Professional Responsibility*. I published several articles and gave numerous conferences, both in Canada and abroad, especially in the areas of public law and language rights. I also practiced law and presented cases in various courts.
- 1993-1994 Leave of absence. Appointed to a term position at the *Agence de coopération culturelle et technique (A.C.C.T.)* in Paris, having been assigned to the legal department of that organization to promote human rights and democracy in francophone countries in transition.
- 1990-1993 Director of the law school's *Centre de traduction et de terminologie juridiques* (Center for Legal Translation and Terminology).
- 1985-1986 Director of the law school's *Services juridiques communautaires* (Community Legal Aid Office).

PATTERSON PALMER

Law Firm
Moncton NB

- 1998-1999 Lawyer specializing in civil, constitutional and administrative law litigation.

ARBITRATION - INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS AND COMMERCIAL DISPUTES

- 1995-1999 Appointed as an arbitrator in New Brunswick in various disputes involving labour unions and private/public sector employers, as well as in disputes between parties in the private sector in regard to commercial matters.

HUMAN RIGHTS TRIBUNAL (CANADA)

Ottawa (Ontario)

- 1991-1994 Member of the Tribunal's panel of part-time members assigned to hear and decide complaints under the *Canadian Human Rights Act*.

TEFFAINE, MONNIN & HOGUE

Barristers

Winnipeg (Manitoba)

1981-1984 Student-at-law and practising lawyer in the area of civil litigation.

INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES

In June 2008, I made various presentations in **Vietnam** in the context of a workshop on Decentralization and Regional Development, sponsored by the Association of Universities and Colleges of Canada (AUCC) for the benefit of the Public Policy Training Program (PPTP) and the Asian Development Bank (ADB), in Hanoi.

During the period 2005-2008, I worked with a Canadian consortium on a capacity-building project aimed at strengthening democratic governance in **Iraq** (focusing on the management of (i) ethnic / linguistic diversity; (ii) the protection and promotion of human rights; and the advancement of women's participation in politics.

I also traveled to **Rwanda** in 2006 to act as a foreign expert in the delivery of a practical skills training program (in both English and French) for Rwandan lawyers and judges.

In my former capacity as Deputy Minister of Justice and Deputy Attorney General of New Brunswick, I attended international conferences in Africa (**Mali and Congo-Brazzaville**) on the topic of human rights in La Francophonie. In addition, I presented papers in the former **Soviet Union** on the respective topics of language rights and federalism issues in Canada.

PROFESSIONAL ACCREDITATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

- 2004- Law Society of Ontario
- 2004- Associations des juristes d'expression française du Manitoba, de l'Ontario et du Nouveau-Brunswick
- 1998- Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice
- 1986- Law Society of New Brunswick
- 1985-1999 Canadian Association of Law Teachers
- 1982-2006 Law Society of Manitoba
- 1978- Canadian Bar Association

EDUCATION

- 1987: LL.M. - Duke University, School Of Law, Durham, North Carolina (U.S.A.)
- 1981: LL.B. - Faculté de Droit (Faculty of Law), Université de Moncton (Canada)
- 1976: B.A. - University of Manitoba (Collège Universitaire de St. Boniface) (Canada)
- 1975: Certificate in French Studies - Université de la Sorbonne, Paris (France)

SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

- 1999 Queen's Counsel (New Brunswick)
- 1986 Law Foundation of New Brunswick
- 1984 *Prix Louis-Riel* (awarded by the *Société Franco-manitobaine*)
- 1980 Law Society of New Brunswick
- 1978 *Fondation Radio St-Boniface*

APPOINTMENTS AND INVOLVEMENT IN PROFESSIONAL AND COMMUNITY ASSOCIATIONS

- 1981-1984 Secretary of the *Comité pour l'intégration du français à la pratique du droit au Manitoba*
- 1982-1984 Member of the **Manitoba Association of Rights and Liberties**
- 1983-1989 Member of the *Institut Joseph Dubuc: St-Boniface, Manitoba* (predecessor of the *Association des juristes d'expression française du Manitoba*)
- 1984-1993 Member of the **Continuing Legal Education Committee of the Law Society of New Brunswick**
- 1985-1986 Member of the **New Brunswick Legal Aid Appeal Committee**
- 1985-1986 Vice-president of the *Conférence des juristes d'expression française of the Canadian Bar Association*
- 1987-1989 President of the *Conférence des juristes d'expression française of the Canadian Bar Association*

- 1989-1992 Past President of the *Conférence des juristes d'expression française* of the **Canadian Bar Association**
- 1987-1990 Member of the **Advisory Committee of the Learned Publishing Division (Canadian Social Science Federation)**
- 1990-1993 Member of the **Board of Directors of the Canadian Association of Law Teachers**
- 1990-1993 Member of the **Orientation Committee of the Program for the Administration of Justice in Both Official Languages (Canada - Department of Justice)**
- 1992-1998 Factum judge for the **Laskin Moot Court Competition (National)**
- 1992- Judge (oral rounds) for the **Laskin Moot Court Competition (National)**
- 1994-1999 Member of the **Editorial Committee of the *Solicitors' Journal* of the Canadian Bar Association—New Brunswick Division**
- 1995-1996 Member of the **Board of Directors of the Moncton Area Lawyers' Association**
- 1995 Member of the **Law Society of New Brunswick's Special Committee on Conflicts of Interest in the Legal Profession**
- 1995-1999 Member of the **Continuing Legal Education Committee of the Law Society of New Brunswick**
- 1995-1999 Vice-president of the *Fédération des communautés acadiennes et francophones du Canada (Ottawa)*
- 1995-1999 Member of the **Articling Committee of the Law Society of New Brunswick**
- 1995-1996 Member of the **Advisory Committee of the Systems of Civil Justice Task Force (Canadian Bar Association - Ottawa)**
- 1998-2002 Member of the **Board of Directors of the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice**
- 2005-2007 Co-chair of the **Fundraising Campaign for the *Collège Universitaire de St-Boniface (Manitoba)***
- 2006 Judge in the final round of the **Jessup Moot Court Competition – Russian edition (International Law): Moscow (Russia)**
- 2006-2009 Member of the Board of Directors of the **Law for the Future Fund of the Canadian Bar Association**

2006-2009 Member and Vice-Chairperson of the Board of Directors of the **Agency for Assisted Human Reproduction Canada (AHRC)**

2020- Member of the Board of Directors of the **International Institute for Justice Excellence (IIJE)** (The Hague, Netherlands)

PUBLICATIONS

Available on demand.

REFERENCES

Available on demand.

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