PETER MORAITIS

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Spoken and written languages: French, English, Greek and intermediate level Spanish

Education

École du Barreau du Québec

2009

Lawyers' Professional Training Program

McGill University (Faculty of Law)

2005 - 2008

Degrees in Civil Law (B.C.L.) and Common Law (LL.B.)

Professional Experience

Lapointe Rosenstein Marchand Melançon Partner

since November 2014

- Practice focused on all aspects of insurance law and civil and professional liability. Representing insurers and their insureds in insurance and liability matters, including major losses and fraudulent claims, both in subrogation and defence. Conducting complex insurance coverage analyses. Representing before the courts and advising various not-for-profit organisations and sports federations and their directors.
- Participating in settlement conferences and mediation sessions as counsel for sports federations, their members or coaches in a number of multi-party cases involving divergent interests. Representing coaches and sports federations in cases involving allegations of discrimination, abuse, harassment or maltreatment, particularly of a sexual or psychological nature.
- Representing members of the sports community from various backgrounds and levels before the Office of the Sport Integrity Commissioner, the Human Rights Tribunal, the Court of Quebec and the Superior Court in disciplinary proceedings or complaints, actions for damages, particularly for allegations of psychological and sexual assault and harassment, applications for the suspension or reinstatement of certain individuals and the transfer of players from one sports team to another.

Hockey Québec 2013 - 2014

Legal Counsel and Officiating Coordinator

• Advising upper management and other employees of the federation in the areas of civil and commercial litigation, labour law and contract law, as well as in matters relating to the protection of personal information and applicable administrative regulations. Participating in the management and analysis of litigation files in collaboration with external legal counsel. Assuming a leadership role in the development and management of programmes for the recruitment, training and assessment of the federation's 5,000 or so officials. Working closely with the volunteers involved, coordinating, planning and carrying out various officiating-related activities, as well as administering an annual budget totalling more than \$300,000.

Hydro-Québec – Legal Affairs Attorney

2010 - 2013

 Advising and representing the company before the courts in civil and commercial litigation, extraordinary remedies, security interests and hypothecs, bankruptcy and insolvency, and energy theft. Managing a caseload of around 150 litigation files. Designing and implementing a process for the mass repatriation of legal files previously handled externally.

Hydro-Québec – Legal Affairs

January 2010 - July 2010

Articling Student

 Assisting Hydro-Québec's attorneys in handling court cases, in particular by drafting demand letters and various pleadings in regulatory law, aboriginal law, labour law, construction law and civil liability law. Carrying out doctrinal and case law research and drafting legal opinions and argument plans.

World Anti-Doping Agency

2008 - 2009

Intern (Code compliance, standards and harmonisation)

 Reviewing and analysing compliance with the World Anti-Doping Code of the anti-doping rules of the various stakeholders in international sport. Formulating recommendations and preparing draft anti-doping rules for the benefit of the various signatories of the World Anti-Doping Code, including several National Olympic Committees, National Anti-Doping Organisations, International Federations and Major Event Organizations.

Bergman & Associates

Student-at-Law

2008 - 2009

 Assisting lawyers in handling court cases, in particular by drafting pleadings for cases before the Superior Court, the Federal Court, the Federal Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court of Canada in administrative law, business law, constitutional law, family law and language rights. Conducting doctrinal and jurisprudential research and drafting legal opinions and plans of argument.

Certifications

Barreau du Québec Small Claims Mediation Certification

2015

 Presiding over mediation sessions in various areas of law in cases under the jurisdiction of the Small Claims Division of the Court of Québec. Guiding litigants in presenting and clarifying their positions, facilitating the mediation process and helping them reach mutually satisfactory negotiated solutions.

Associations and Involvement

- Member of the Canadian Bar Association
- Member of the Hellenic Canadian Lawyers' Association
- President of the Barreau du Québec's Professional Training Committee
- President of the Barreau de Montréal's Contests Committee
- Lecturer in civil procedure at the École du Barreau
- President of the Barreau de Montréal's Liaison Committee with the Court of Québec, Civil Division
- President of Hockey Québec's Provincial Officiating Committee
- Member of the Organizing Committee for the 2015 and 2017 IIHF World Junior Championships
- Member of the Institut national du sport du Québec's Ambassadors Committee

Publications

September 2022	Commentaire sur le Projet de Loi 40 – Vers une amélioration de l'accès à la justice devant la Cour du Québec, Repères, Yvon Blais (Commentary on Bill 40 - Towards improved access to justice before the Court of Québec)
September 2018	The <i>Highwood</i> decision reinforces the principle that a court's jurisdiction ends at the sideline, LRMM Bulletin
August 2017	Un survol de la <i>Loi sur l'assurance automobile</i> et ses effets sur le droit commun in Commentaires sur le droit des assurances - Textes législatifs et réglementaires, 3 rd ed., LexisNexis (An overview of the Automobile Insurance Act and its impact on the common law)
June 2017	The Supreme Court shuts the door on civil suits for bodily injury caused in a road accident, LRMM Bulletin