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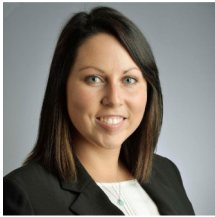
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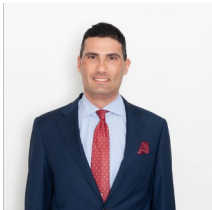
Welcome from the 2023 Spring Conference Co-Chairs Danielle Graff, Partner at MLT Aikins LLP



Danielle has a corporate commercial practice with a focus on technology, privacy, commercialization, and the health-care and agriculture and food sectors. She provides assistance to a diverse client base, from small businesses to large public and private corporations. Her experience includes assisting clients with outsourcing arrangements and procurement of information technology services and software, advising clients on privacy law interpretation and compliance issues, providing support in the implementation of IT systems and programs, and assisting both the developers and customers of e-commerce platforms.

Danielle also has experience advising clients on IP strategy as well as drafting and advising clients on licensing, transfer, and other commercial arrangements regarding IP. She has also been involved in commercial transactions that include the purchase and sale of IP assets. In her general corporate commercial practice, Danielle regularly advises clients on a wide range of matters including corporate governance and regulatory and compliance matters.

Jacob Kojfman, Senior Legal Counsel at The Co-operators Group Limited



Jacob is Senior Legal Counsel at the Co-operators Group Ltd., practicing in the areas of commercial contracting and technology law. In his current role, he is supporting the Co-operators in its digital transformation, by reviewing, drafting, and negotiating tech-related agreements. Prior to this role, he was Senior Legal Counsel at the Canadian affiliate of a global-IT services company; where he supported numerous stakeholders, including some proprietary SAAS solutions, to advance their mandates.

He has been a panelist or speaker at a number of legal conferences. In October 2022 he was part of a well-received panel at the Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC)'s 2022 Annual Meeting on "IP Issues in Commercial Transactions", and a panelist at CAN-Tech's Fall 2022 Conference speaking about the intersection of lawyers' competence and duties to client and the use of technology to meet those obligations. In 2021, Jacob participated in a fireside chat alongside Davide Tollen for the CBA British Columbia's IP/IT section meeting "Technology Contracting – Top 10 Tips and Traps", where he and David discussed the pre-dominant issues in technology contracts, and earlier that year he authored a very popular ACC article "Top Ten Issues and Tips to Consider When Negotiating Contracts for Cloud Solutions." He completed the "Certificate in Drafting and Negotiating IT Agreements" in 2017. He has been on the executive of the CBABC IP/IT for a number of years now. In every conversation he tries to slip in his Peloton handle, @Obi1Jacobi.

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Rahim Esmail, Senior Counsel, Legal Services at TELUS



Rahim Esmail is Senior Counsel in TELUS' Legal Services group based in Vancouver. He operates at the forefront of technology law, leading strategic transactions that are changing how TELUS operates. In 2021, Rahim was recognized as one of the Lexpert Rising Stars: Leading Lawyers Under 40. Rahim specializes in procurement matters, focusing on technology solutions for TELUS business units, including TELUS' legacy wireline and wireless businesses as well as businesses in emerging sectors such as health and agriculture technology. Rahim also advises TELUS on strategic network matters. Rahim is the Chair of TELUS Legal Services' Privacy COE and a member on the AI Think Tank and Reconciliation Working Group. At TELUS, Rahim serves as a board secretary for TELUS' Interior and Northern BC Community Board and he has acted as a principal to law students from the UBC's Allard School of Law as part of the Norton Rose Fulbright LLP Corporate Counsel Externship. Outside of TELUS, Rahim serves as a director on the board of the Arthritis Research Canada charity.

Dana Siddle, Partner at McCarthy Tétrault LLP



Dana Siddle is Co-Leader of our [Health Industry Group](#) and a partner in our Business Law and Technology Law groups. Dana advises on complex commercial transactions and projects in the public and private sector. Dana also supports clients with practical, solutions-oriented advice on challenges and strategies relating to e-commerce, privacy and anti-spam law compliance.

Leveraging her deep knowledge and years of experience in the technology space, Dana advises clients in healthcare, biotech, and life sciences on complex mandates that require such specialization. These include technology transfers, IT contracting and outsourcing, technology procurement, and digital health / telehealth. She has helped numerous clients ensure their internal policies regarding health data management and privacy are robust and secure.

Dana joined McCarthy Tétrault after three years acting as in-house counsel for a major North American retailer of consumer technology products and services. Prior to that, Dana was an associate at leading national law firms in Canada and Australia.

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Joseph Gill, Partner at McKercher LLP



Joe is a technology, capital raising, and tax partner with a particular focus on high growth technology startups, IT contracting for companies managing digital transformation, and tax structuring for private enterprises and professionals. He acts as lawyer in-residence for all 3 technology incubators in Saskatchewan and is the Founder and Chair of McKercher's Technology and High Growth Startups Practice Group. Joe is counsel to over one hundred prairie technology, innovation, and scientific startups and assists those companies with everything from original formation and founder arrangements, through technology contracting, capital raising, tax optimization, and finally to exit transactions. His focus is on not simply providing legal deliverables for his clients. But instead providing a critical thinking mindset to support and educate those who dare to change the world.

Azure-Dee Ashton, Counsel, Saskatchewan Power Corporation

Azure-Dee is legal counsel at SaskPower, a Crown Corporation and electrical utility for the province of Saskatchewan. She has a diverse legal practice, advising her client on procurement and contracting matters. For over six years, she supported SaskPower's Information Technology department, negotiating a variety of agreements to meet the legal and business needs of the company. Azure-Dee is also a sessional instructor at First Nations University of Canada, teaching business law. In her spare time, she enjoys beekeeping and bread baking.

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Moderator: Andrew Alleyne, Partner at Fasken



Andrew is a partner with Fasken with a broad corporate commercial practice focusing on outsourcing and technology related transactions. Andrew also practices private M&A, provides strategic counsel on drafting and negotiating a wide range of technology related agreements, and advises on online gambling matters. Andrew is Vice President of Can Tech; past chair of the Toronto Computer Lawyers Group; recognized for his information technology expertise by Chambers, The Best Lawyers in Canada and the Canadian and Legal Lexpert Directory, and Who's Who Legal (Canada). Andrew is also actively involved in various non-profit boards and in the community.

Mark Bowman, Senior Legal Counsel at Interac Corp.



Mark Bowman is Senior Legal Counsel at Interac Corp., supporting its Technology & Operations, Digital ID and IAM Services portfolios. He is also a Professional Software Engineer (PEng) licensed in Ontario, and is the founder of Meese AI, an AI legal technology company.

Justice Agyemang, Senior Legal Counsel at HSBC Bank Canada



Justice Agyemang has been practicing in the area of banking and financial services for his entire legal career spanning almost twenty years. He has a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree (BBA) from the Schulich School of Business, York University, a Bachelor of Laws Degree (LLB) from the University of Ottawa and a Master of Laws Degree (LLM) in Financial Law from Osgoode Hall Law School, York University. He is currently Senior Legal Counsel for HSBC Bank Canada, supporting its Commercial Banking and Global Trade and Receivables Finance lines of business. Justice has expertise within the areas of corporate/commercial law, business and retail banking, trade finance, financial services, financial technology (FinTech), bankruptcy and insolvency, creditor's enforcement rights and technology law. He has worked in private practice and in-house settings and has director experience in both a business and charitable context. In addition to mentoring for Lincoln Alexander School of Law, Justice also is an active Mentor and Assessor for Toronto Metropolitan University's Law Practice Program.

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Moderator: Véronique Wattiez Larose, Partner at McCarthy Tétrault LLP



Véronique is a partner in our Business Law Group in Montréal Her practice focuses on mergers and acquisitions, private equity (including venture capital) and licensing matters, primarily for technology clients. She is also a Canadian Registered Trade-mark Agent and runs the firms Trademark practice in Quebec. Clients trust her pragmatic approach and breadth of experience to successfully guide them through complex transactions.

Véronique represents clients in a wide range of industries, including biotechnology, video games and computer software, automotive, and retail. Her broad scope of industry expertise and well-honed ability to understand our clients' pain points and appetite for risk allow her to provide a seamless experience while consistently delivering results.

Véronique provides creative, workable advice on all commercial aspects of intellectual property law, including the drafting and negotiation of technology transfer agreements, intellectual property due diligence and strategic intellectual property portfolio management. Véronique was assigned to a secondment with two of the firm's biggest clients, a venture capital institutional investor and a contract manufacturing and pharmaceuticals company. She translates this experience into a deep understanding of clients' realities, which allows her to get deals done swiftly and effectively.

Patrice Labonté, General Counsel North America at Valtech



Patrice is General Counsel North America at Valtech. He works in the areas of privacy, technology and commercial law. In his current role, he supports Valtech's growth as a digital innovations consultancy, including through complex, multi-jurisdictional intellectual property negotiations, mergers and acquisitions and global corporate compliance. Previously, he was an associate at Davies Ward Phillips & Vineberg LLP in areas of dispute resolution, technology and investigation and white-collar defence. Patrice is also an elite marathon runner that represented Athletics Canada at the international level. He finished 28th at the Boston Marathon 2021.

Eugen Miscoi, Associate at McCarthy Tétrault LLP



Eugen Miscoi is an Associate in McCarthy Tétrault's national Cyber/Data group. Specializing in technology, privacy, and cybersecurity law, Eugen enables clients leverage technological solutions to create value while demonstrating compliance with all Canadian federal and provincial privacy and information management requirements and industry best practices. Eugen's practice focuses on the following areas of expertise:

- Assisting organizations of various sizes and from diverse industries to demonstrate compliance with federal and provincial privacy laws, regulations, regulatory guidance, and industry best practices
- Managing cybersecurity incidents as "Breach Coach" to help clients navigate complex regulatory, contractual, and business considerations arising in the context of the same
- Providing strategic advice to clients on the basis of his in-depth knowledge of the law and the cybersecurity, data governance, privacy, and risk management fields. Eugen's multidisciplinary skillset was certified by various industry accreditation bodies, including the Computing Technology Industry Association's (CompTIA), the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP), and the Information Systems Audit and Control Association (ISACA).

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Moderator: Jennifer Davidson, Partner at Deeth Williams Wall LLP



Jennifer Davidson is a partner at Deeth Williams Wall LLP in Toronto, practicing in Technology and Cybersecurity law. Jennifer's technology practice encompasses a wide range of technology-related transactional matters involving emerging tech, while Jennifer's cybersecurity practice focuses on all aspects of the digital risk lifecycle, including critical incident response.

Jennifer's the President of the Canadian Technology Law Association, past Chair of the OBA's IP & IT Law Section and a faculty member at Osgoode Hall Law School's *Drafting & Negotiation IT Agreements*.

Jennifer was recently recognized with the *Precedent Setter Award* and listed in Best Lawyers™ Canada: *Ones to Watch*.

David Fraser, Partner at McInnes Cooper



David Fraser is well-known as one of Canada's leading internet, technology and privacy lawyers. He regularly advises a range of clients – from startups to Fortune 100 companies – on all aspects of technology and privacy laws.

David advises private and public sector clients to implement compliance programs for Canadian privacy legislation. He regularly provides opinions on privacy laws for both Canadian and international clients and is a frequently invited speaker on this topic. David also acts for complainants and respondents in matters referred to the Office of the Privacy Commissioner. He is the author of the popular [Canadian Privacy Law Blog \(blog.privacylawyer.ca\)](http://blog.privacylawyer.ca) and [Canadian Cloud Law Blog \(cloudlawyer.ca\)](http://cloudlawyer.ca). David's Privacy Law Blog was awarded a "Clawbie" in 2013 by the Canadian Law Blog Awards. David is also ranked in the *Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory*. Other legal directories have nice things to say about him.

David is widely recognized as one of Canada's foremost authorities on privacy law and other legal issues associated with cloud computing. He regularly advises vendors and customers in connection with implementing cloud computing projects, in both the public and private sectors. David is particularly known for his ability to cut through the seemingly intractable issues related to cross-border data flows and law enforcement/national security access to customer data.

Harj Gill, Former Corporate Counsel at NTT DATA Services



Harj is a commercial technology lawyer, licensed to practice in BC and Washington. Most recently, he was commercialcounsel at a Fortune 100 company that offers a wide range of services including IT outsourcing, consulting, and managed services, where Harj supported the organization's growth by negotiating and drafting complex information technology and outsourcing agreements worth over \$1 billions dollars. Prior to this, Harj helped Vancouver's start-upecosystem commercialize their IP and raise capital. He started his career in tax law, with two stints at global accounting firms.

Outside of work, Harj enjoys BC's outdoors by hiking and snowshoeing, and has taken improv classes.