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Expertise

Litigation and Dispute Resolution

Business and Corporate Commercial

Securities, Pensions, Insurance,
Competition, Energy, Mining,
Estates, Shareholder Disputes

Education

- Advanced Mediation – Harvard, 2015
- FCI Arb., 2013
- University of Toronto – JD, 1972
- University of Western Ontario – BA, 1967

Bar Admission

- Ontario, 1974
- Northwest Territories, 1974

Executive Summary

John has been a force within the Canadian legal community throughout his career. He has been involved in many of the cases that have defined the interaction between Canadian business and law for four decades, from gold mines to boardrooms, from oil fields to isotopes. He has served as an Emeritus Bencher and Bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada, President of the Federation of Law Societies of Canada, President of the Empire Club of Canada, chair of the Audit Committee of the CBC, counsel to two Prime Ministers and much more, serving everyone from heads of state to underprivileged children during a storied career.

John Campion is nationally and internationally recognized (Chambers, Best Lawyers, Lexpert, International Who's Who of Business Lawyers, Martindale-Hubbell) as one of Canada's leading senior trial, appeal and arbitration counsel. He has been an elected Bencher of the Law Society of Upper Canada since 2000 and was President of the Federation of Law Societies of Canada, representing Canada's 100,000 lawyers nationally and internationally. He has been active in his community: President of The Empire Club of Canada, counsel to the Director of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation and an adjunct professor of law, Toronto and Osgoode. He is an author of Professional Liability in Canada and publishes and lectures broadly throughout Canada and internationally.

Representative Work

- *Gauthier v. United Parcel Service of Canada Ltd.* – March 2013
- *Durling v. Sunrise Propane Energy Group Inc.* 2012 ONSC 6328 – November 2012
- *Leblanc v. United Parcel Service Ltée* – October 2012
- *Durling v. Sunrise Propane Energy Group Inc.*, 2012 ONSC 4196 – July 2012
- *Lundy v. Via Rail Canada Inc.*, 2012 ONSC 4152 – July 2012
- *Wright v. United Parcel Service Canada Ltd.*, 2012 ONSC 1995 – March 2012
- *Durling v. Sunrise Propane Energy Group Inc.* 2011 ONSC 7506 – December 2011
- *Wright v. United Parcel Service Canada Ltd.* 2011 ONSC 5044 – August 2011
- Supreme Court of British Columbia dismisses class action against UPS – June 2009
- *Lambert v. Guidant Corporation*, [2009] (ON S.C.) – May 2009
- Pan-Canadian Investors Committee completes \$32 billion ABCP restructuring – January 2009
- *Longyear Canada, ULC v. 897173 Ontario Inc. (J.N. Precise)*, [2008] CanLII 20332 (ON S.C.) – April 2008
- *Lambert v. Guidant Corporation*, 2009 CanLII 23379 – April 2008
- *Norton v. Peel Financial Holdings Limited*, 2007 CanLII 59454 (ON S.C.) – December 2007
- *Longyear Canada ULC v. 897173 Ontario Inc. (J.N. Precise)*, [2007] O.J. No. 4834; 162 A.C.W.S. (3d) 671 (Ont. S.C.J) per Conway J. – December 2007
- *Council of Canadians with Disabilities v. Via Rail Canada Inc.*, 2007 SCC 15 – March 2007
- Bristol-Myers Squibb subject of Class Actions litigation in Canada – March 2007



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- *Davies v. Clarington (Municipality)*, [2006] O.J. No. 1307 – April 2006
- AECL and MDS Nordion enter into 40-year multibillion dollar supply agreement for medical isotopes – February 2006
- Via Rail defended before Gomery Inquiry – February 2006
- Prominent Canadian exonerated from any wrongdoing in UN Oil-for-Food Programme investigation – February 2006
- *David Polowin Real Estate Ltd. v. Dominion of Canada General Insurance Company (2005)*, 76 O.R. (3d) 161 (Ont. C.A.) – June 2005
- *VIA Rail Canada Inc. v. Canada* (Transportation Agency) (F.C.A.), 2005 FCA 79, [2005] 4 F.C.R. 473 – March 2005
- *Greenbanktree Power Corp. v. Coinamatic Canada Inc., et. al.*, [2004] O.J. 964 (Ont. C.A.) – December 2004
- *Dowling v. Ontario (Workplace Safety and Insurance Board)* (2004), 246 D.L.R. (4th) 65 (Ont. C.A.) – November 2004
- *Vennell v. Barnado's*, 2004 CanLII 33357 (ON S.C.) – October 2004
- *Canada (Commissioner of Competition) v. Canada Pipe* – February 2004
- *Zurich Insurance Company v. 686234 Ontario Limited* – November 2002
- *Highfields Capital I LP v. Telesystem International Wireless Inc.*, [2002] 21 B.L.R. (3d) 133 (Ont. S. Ct.) – September 2002
- *Carom v. Bre-X Minerals Ltd.* – October 2000

Articles and Presentations

Articles

- *Campion's and TLA certificate teaches litigators to broaden their legal minds*, Advocate Daily – November 2, 2018
- *Ontario Court of Appeal Loosens Restrictions on Securities Class Actions (Timely Disclosure)* – February 5, 2014
- *Bullen & Leake & Jacob's Canadian Precedent of Pleadings, 2nd Edition (Class Actions)* – October 2013
- *The Constitutionality of Administrative Monetary Penalties Under the Competition Act: Is Rowan a Full Answer?* (Competition Policy International) – September 2012
- *The Marker*, Canadian Bar Association's Criminal Matters Committee of the CBA National Law (Competition Section) – September 2012
- *Bullen & Leake & Jacob's Canadian Precedents of Pleadings, Carswell (Class Actions)* – 2010

Presentations

- *Dispute Resolution Remedies for Private Companies* – November 28, 2017
- *Cross-Border Litigation Forum, Cambridge, Ontario (Securities Class Actions)* – March 1-3, 2010



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- The Canadian Institute's 10th Annual National Forum, Toronto, Ontario (Class Actions Litigation) – September 23-24, 2009
- Antitrust/Competition & Marketing Law Group Seminar, Toronto, Ontario (Competition Law) – November 19, 2008
- 8th Annual National Forum on Class Actions Litigation – September 17-18, 2007
- 8th Annual National Forum on Class Actions Litigation, The Canadian Institute, Toronto, Ontario – September 17-18, 2007
- Recent 'Must Know' Developments in Canadian – November 17, 2006
- Antitrust/Competition & Marketing Law Group Seminar, Toronto, Ontario (Competition Law) – November 17, 2006
- Insight Information: Securities Law Forum, Toronto, Ontario – June 7-8, 2006

Board Memberships

- Senior Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America
- Elected Benchler (Governor), Law Society of Upper Canada (2000-2015)
- Past President, Federation of Law Societies of Canada (2009-2010)
- Executive, Council Member, Federation of Law Societies of Canada (2007-2011)
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, Ontario Bar Association
- Member, The Advocates' Society
- Member, International Bar Association
- Member, Canadian Civil Liberties Association
- North American Committee of The Commercial Bar Association (Combar)
- Trustee, American Bar Association Foundation
- Fellow, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, 2013

Recognition

- *Who's Who Legal*: Canada 2016 for Commercial Litigation
- *The 2015 Lexpert/American Lawyer's Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada* for Corporate Commercial Litigation
- *Lexpert 2014 and 2016 Guide to the Leading US-Canada Cross-Border Litigation Lawyers* for Class Action and Corporate Commercial
- Best Lawyers in Canada 2015-2019 for Administrative and Public Law
- Best Lawyers in Canada 2012-2015 for Director and Officer Liability
- *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* 2013-2016 for Class Actions, Litigation - Corporate Commercial, Litigation - Directors' & Officers' Liability
- *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* 2013-2015 for Litigation - Securities
- *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* 2011 for Litigation - Class Actions, Commercial Insurance, Corporate/Commercial, Director & Officer Liability, Securities, and Professional Liability



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- *Chambers Global Guide* 2011-2014 for Dispute Resolution in Ontario
- *The 2011 Lexpert/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada* for Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- *Practical Law Company* 2009 for Dispute Resolution (Canada: Ontario)
- Certified by the Law Society of Upper Canada as a specialist in civil litigation
- Arbour Award for outstanding contribution to the University of Toronto
- Profiled as one of “Canada’s Top 25 Corporate Litigators,” *Lexpert Magazine*, July/August 2002 - based on combined ratings of corporate commercial, class action, securities and competition litigation and a survey of 3,224 practitioners
- *Lexpert* 1997-2006 - rated in the corporate commercial litigation, securities litigation and class actions categories
- *Lexpert* 1999-2006 - rated in the corporate commercial litigation, securities litigation and class actions categories
- Martindale-Hubbell “AV” rating
- *Chambers Global* 2002-2006 for Commercial Litigation
- *Who’s Who Legal* 2002-2006 for Commercial Litigation
- *Global Counsel* 2002-2006 for Commercial Litigation
- *Euromoney, Guide to the World’s Leading Litigation Lawyers and Experts in Commercial Arbitration* 2002-2007

Professional Involvement

- Director and Chair, Audit Committee, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation (1995-2001)
- Commissioner, Commission on Election Finances (1989-1999)
- President, The Empire Club of Canada (weekly live televised and broadcast speaking platform); 49 speakers in 35 weeks to a live audience of 14,000 people; broadcast across Canada - including four heads of state, chief justice, six cabinet ministers, three premiers, authors, artists, bishops, ambassadors, former vice-president and Nobel laureate
- Counsel to National Political Campaign (1993, 1997, 2000, 2004, 2006)
- Director, Canadian Council of Christians and Jews
- Trustee, Moorelands Camp for Underprivileged Children
- Director, Downtown Churchworkers Association
- Coach - Mooredale Soccer
- The Dickson Circle – pro bono work for persons with disabilities
- Law Society of Ontario
- Ontario Bar Association