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Aoife Quinn Named a 2026 Lexpert Rising Star

Recognized as one of Canada's leading lawyers under 40, Aoife Quinn received the 2026 Lexpert Rising Star Award at last night's ceremony at the Liberty Grand in Toronto.

"Aoife is an exceptional advocate, an inspiring leader, and a dedicated mentor," says Managing Partner, Monique Jilesen. "As a litigator, she is sharp, persuasive, and always prepared, which is why clients trust her with the disputes that matter most. She also leads by example, whether she is championing access to justice through our pro bono work or bringing our firm together in support of the community. She is more than deserving of this honour."

The Lexpert Rising Star Awards celebrate leading lawyers aged 40 and under who have an outstanding track record of success in their field, who are changemakers in the legal industry and leaders in their communities, and who contribute significantly to their firm's success. Aoife embodies all these qualities and more. Our clients wholeheartedly agree:

> *"Aoife stands out for her ability to seamlessly integrate legal strategy with business priorities. She delivers advice that is practical, forward-looking, and tailored to our needs, and she consistently delivers solutions that reflect both legal excellence and strong business judgment."*
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> *"What set Aoife apart was her clarity in direction. Aoife's approach, anchoring sharp legal strategy in the practical needs of our business, is the reason we are positioned to grow today."*
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> *"Aoife has become a truly trusted advisor and invaluable partner to our business. She continues to be top of mind for any new matters that require her level of deep care and attention to detail."*

Aoife is a trial and appellate litigator with a broad civil litigation practice and deep experience in executive employment matters, insurance disputes, securities class actions, and complex real estate litigation. Leading financial institutions, global brands, and public companies turn to Aoife for their complex disputes.

A recognized leader at the bar, Aoife is Co-Chair of The Advocates' Society's Labour & Employment Practice Group and

sits on the CBA Insurance Section Executive. She is also ranked by Chambers Canada in both Employment & Labour and Insurance: Dispute Resolution.

Beyond her practice, Aoife is deeply committed to access to justice and to her community. As Co-Chair of the firm's Pro Bono Program, she drives more than 1,500 pro bono hours across the firm annually. As lead of the firm's United Way Committee, she brings colleagues together each year in support of United Way Greater Toronto. For more than a decade, she has also mentored law students and junior lawyers, both formally and informally, helping shape the next generation of advocates.

Congratulations, Aoife!