



Education

Osgoode Professional Development (2019) Certificate in E-Discovery, Information Governance and Privacy
Humber College Institute of Technology & Advanced Learning
(2019) Law Clerk Diploma (Honours)
University of Ontario Institute of Technology/Ontario Tech University
(2017) Honours BA (Highest Distinction)

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is a law clerk at Lenczner Slaght.

From the commencement of an action, through the discovery process, up to trials and appeals, Paulina assists in all aspects of the litigation process, with a focus on commercial litigation matters. Paulina efficiently manages and organizes complex, document-intensive litigation matters leveraging her advanced knowledge of Relativity.

Paulina plays a critical role in supporting matter teams at the Federal and Provincial levels, including the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court of Canada. She also provides support to lawyers in professional disciplinary matters for regulatory colleges and tribunals.

In addition to her file work, Paulina contributes to the development of firm-wide precedents and best practices, helping to enhance consistency, efficiency, and knowledge-sharing across the firm.

Paulina joined Lenczner Slaght as a law clerk intern in 2019 and completed the law clerk program at Humber College.

RECOGNITION

- Academic Award of Excellence (2019)
Humber College
- Bogoroch & Associates First-Year Award (2019)
Humber College
- Charlene Minkowski Memorial Award (2020)
Humber College
- Gowling LaFleur Henderson LLP Scholarship (2018)
Humber College

SELECT CASES

- **Abbasbayli v Fiera Foods Company et al** – Trial counsel to the defendant companies and corporate directors in a wrongful dismissal action brought by a former employee. The employee's action was dismissed. The defendants were successful at trial in establishing the employee had perpetrated wilful misconduct justifying termination for cause.
- **Canadian News Media Companies v OpenAI** – Counsel to Canada's leading news media organizations in their legal action against OpenAI for breach of copyright, breach of online terms of use, breach of contract, and unjust enrichment for scraping large swaths of content (millions of works) from Canadian media to help develop its products, such as

ChatGPT.

- **Bell Media Inc et al v Warner Bros. Discovery et al** – Counsel to the Warner Bros. Discovery entities responding to Bell Media Inc.’s request for a permanent injunction seeking to prevent Warner Bros. Discovery from licensing television content to Rogers Communications Inc.
- **University of Toronto (Governing Council) v Doe et al** – Counsel to the University of Toronto in successfully bringing an interlocutory injunction to bring a peaceful end to the encampment that occupied the green space known as Front Campus for over 50 days. The University successfully argued that it was the private property owner of Front Campus and entitled to enforce its property rights over the protestors residing in the encampment. The University also successfully argued that its actions in respect of the encampment were not subject to the application of the *Charter*.
- **Chief James Marlowe and the Lutsel K’e Dene First Nation v Mirza Mohammad Imran Karim Barlas et al** – Counsel to the Lutsel K’e Dene First Nation and its elected chief in an oppression application (and related injunction) arising from allegations of breach of fiduciary duty, misappropriation, and fraud by the CEO of the First Nations’ company.
- **Mittra v Royal Bank of Canada et al** – Counsel to RBC in this \$10 million wrongful dismissal claim. After a three-week trial, the Court held that RBC had just cause to dismiss the plaintiff without notice. Reported at 2024 ONSC 636.
- **Metro Ontario Inc v Mouzakitis et al** – Counsel to Metro Ontario Inc. successfully obtaining a *Mareva* injunction and Anton Piller Orders, against former employees for breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duties, and fraud.
- **Libfeld v Libfeld** – Counsel to the successful partner of a multi-billion dollar residential and commercial real estate developer and builder in obtaining successful order winding up and selling the partnership.
- **Crosslinx v Metrolinx** – Counsel to Crosslinx Transit Solutions Constructors in an application against Metrolinx and Ontario Infrastructure (HMQE) in relation to HMQE’s failure to declare an emergency as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. Crosslinx is a design and construction consortium established to deliver and maintain the Eglinton Crosstown LRT, the second largest Canadian transit infrastructure project. We successfully resisted a motion to stay and succeeded entirely on the application to obtain contractual relief due to the pandemic. This is notable as it may have broader implications for other P3 Projects across the province of Ontario.
- **Re Investment Management Corporation of Ontario** – Trial counsel to IMCO in a breach of contract claim with manager of public infrastructure projects.
- **Wintercorn v Global Learning Group Inc; Pielt v Global Learning Group Inc** – Counsel to a defendant law firm in a class proceedings in Ontario and Saskatchewan relating to a tax donation program.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Women in eDiscovery
- Institute of Law Clerks of Ontario