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Lenczner Slaght Welcomes Eight New Associates

Canada’s leading litigation firm continues to strengthen its talent pool with the addition of eight exceptional associates.

Lenczner Slaght is delighted to welcome Sarah Bittman, Mitch Brown, Julia Flood, Samantha Hale, Adam Kanji, Jessica Kras, Jenn Power and Sahar Talebi.

“This is a great day at Lenczner Slaght! We are very excited that Sarah, Mitch, Julia, Samantha, Adam, Jessica, Jenn and Sahar have chosen to join us to launch their careers as counsel. They bring fresh ideas and energy that is vital to our success as a firm.” says Managing Partner, Tom Curry. “I am looking forward to watching them develop into future leaders of the Bar.”

Sarah Bittman’s growing practice includes complex commercial litigation, arbitration, regulatory proceedings, and professional liability. Sarah first developed her advocacy skills through extensive participation in the University of Toronto’s mooting program, where she received oral and written advocacy awards for both her own team and the teams she has coached. Prior to joining the firm, Sarah clerked for Justice Rowe at the Supreme Court of Canada.

Mitch Brown’s developing practice covers a wide array of litigation matters. As a summer and articling student, he worked on complex commercial and professional liability matters, including multiple civil trials, application hearings, and appeals. While in law school, Mitch sat as the Chair of the Dalhousie Student Union and competed in the Phillip C. Jessup Public International Law Moot, where he was awarded Second Place Overall Individual Oralist in Canada.

Julia Flood’s experience includes a wide range of commercial and professional liability matters. She continues to develop a broad litigation practice. Julia completed her JD at Osgoode Hall Law School in 2018. During her time at law school, Julia volunteered with Law in Action Within Schools, in the Criminal Law Division of Osgoode Hall’s community legal clinic, and as a peer mentor for first-year students.

Samantha Hale’s developing litigation practice covers a wide range of areas, including commercial disputes, professional liability and regulation, civil matters, and public litigation. Before joining the firm, Sam sharpened her analytical skillset as a clerk

for the judges of the Divisional Court and Superior Court of Justice in Toronto. She assisted the judges on a wide variety of administrative appeals, judicial reviews, class actions, civil trials, and commercial matters.

Adam Kanji is developing a broad litigation practice. Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght, Adam was a summer and articling student at the Constitutional Law Branch of the Ministry of the Attorney General. During his time as a student, he worked on cases before all levels of court in Ontario, as well as multiple matters before the Supreme Court of Canada. Adam received his law degree from Osgoode Hall Law School, where he competed in the Wilson Moot and volunteered as a caseworker at the Community & Legal Aid Services Program.

Jessica Kras' growing practice encompasses a broad range of litigation matters, including commercial litigation and professional liability. Jessica is a graduate of the University of Toronto where she obtained both her JD and Masters of Public Policy. While at law school, Jessica coordinated student volunteers at Pro Bono Ontario's civil litigation clinic, served as President of Out in Law, and worked as an editor of the Indigenous Law Journal. Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght, Jessica worked as a summer student with the Ministry of the Attorney General, Crown Law Office – Civil Division.

Jenn Power practices in a broad range of areas, including commercial litigation, administrative law, professional responsibility, and commercial arbitration. Jenn has appeared before the Provincial, Supreme, and Family Courts of Nova Scotia as well as the Provincial Court of Alberta, and the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench. Prior to attending law school, Jenn served nine years as a Naval Warfare Officer in the Royal Canadian Navy, achieving the rank of Lieutenant (Navy).

Sahar Talebi's developing litigation practice includes complex commercial and professional liability matters. Sahar graduated with distinction from the University of Windsor's Dual JD program, and was the recipient of several academic achievement and advocacy awards. As a lawyer who obtained a Canadian and an American law degree, she bridges the gap between both legal systems.