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# Lenczner Slaght Welcomes Seven New Associates

Canada's leading litigation firm continues to add to its collective experience and knowledge with the addition of seven exceptional associates.

Lenczner Slaght is delighted to welcome Amber Blair, Barbara Brown, Sam Hargreaves, Allison Jandura, Keely Kinley, Jonathan Mertz, and Bhreagh Ross.

"I am excited to introduce seven new colleagues who join us in the pursuit of excellence in the courtroom" says Managing Partner, Tom Curry. "Each of them brings a strong academic record, an incredible passion for advocacy and the ability to work as a team to achieve our clients' objectives. I look forward to watching them develop into tomorrow's leaders at the Bar."

**Amber Blair's** developing practice includes a broad range of intellectual property and commercial litigation matters. Amber has experience with disputes involving companies in the pharmaceuticals, biotechnology, life sciences, chemistry, telecommunications, technology, and oil and gas sectors. Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght, Amber practiced in the intellectual property litigation group at a large international firm in Calgary and summered and articulated at a leading national intellectual property boutique.

**Barbara Brown** completed her JD at Osgoode Hall Law School. Barbara summered at the firm, where she gained experience in professional liability matters and commercial litigation. She then completed her articles as a judicial law clerk at the Court of Appeal for Ontario for three judges, handling civil, criminal, and constitutional cases. Barbara will clerk at the Supreme Court of Canada in 2023-2024.

**Sam Hargreaves** received her JD from the University of Toronto Faculty of Law. Sam was heavily involved in mooting, including as a member of the Moot Court Committee, which facilitates all mooting programs for the law school. Sam summered and articulated at Lenczner Slaght where she gained experience in a variety of disciplines, including professional liability, construction and commercial matters.

**Allison Jandura** completed her JD at the University of Alberta, where she graduated as the Gold Medalist of her class. Allison has a developing litigation practice with a broad range of interests. Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght, Allison served as a

law clerk at the Court of Appeal of Alberta. She will clerk for the Supreme Court of Canada in 2023-2024.

**Keely Kinley** received her JD from the University of Toronto Faculty of Law. In law school, Keely was involved in the work of the David Asper Centre for Constitutional Rights and was on the Senior Board of the University of Toronto's Faculty of Law Review. She won Best Respondent at the Callaghan Memorial Moot in 2020 and served as a Co-Chief Justice of the Callaghan in 2021. She also coached and mentored mooters in the Hamish Stewart Cup in her last two years of school.

**Jonathan Mertz** completed his JD at Osgoode Hall Law School. Prior to joining the firm, Jonathan clerked at the Superior Court of Justice and the Divisional Court. As a judicial law clerk, Jonathan gained first-hand insight into judicial reasoning as he assisted judges on motions, appeals and applications for judicial review, and a host of civil trials.

**Bhreagh Ross** received her JD and Bachelor of Civil Law from McGill University, where she graduated on the Dean's Honour List and was awarded the Stanley Kandestin Q.C. prize for academic achievement and extracurricular involvement. Prior to joining the firm, Bhreagh articulated with the largest regional law firm in Atlantic Canada and clerked with the Honourable Justice Anne L. Mactavish at the Federal Court of Appeal.