

Sana Halwani

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Sana Halwani Named a 2018 Lexpert Rising Star

Sana Halwani was recognized as a 2018 Lexpert Rising Star at last night's gala dinner at the Fairmont Royal York in Toronto.

This honour is given to leading lawyers under the age of 40 who have an outstanding track record of success in their field and have demonstrated exemplary leadership at their firm and in the community. Sana is a deserving winner.

Sana is a force to be reckoned with in the IP world, with extensive experience in the life sciences, technology, and energy industries, and in large cross-border disputes. Amongst her peers, she is recognized as a highly skilled litigator with a sharp mind for mastering complex facts and enviable advocacy skills. To clients, Sana has proven to be an exceptional advocate, effective project manager, and trusted advisor. She is particularly known to have a business acumen that is rare among litigators. Simply put, Sana is a formidable courtroom opponent.

As well as being a star litigator, Sana makes significant contributions to the legal and broader community. By evangelizing the use of technology in and out of the courtroom, she is demonstrating lawyering of the future and making the legal community think differently about technology and what can achieved. By taking on significant leadership roles within the IP bar, particularly as an unapologetic booster of women in IP, Sana is taking concrete steps to increase the diversity of the Federal Courts. Through her commitment to mentoring, she is actively fostering the development of younger lawyers to follow in her footsteps. These are only a few examples of how Sana sets the bar for others and truly embodies what it means to be a leader and a change agent.

"Sana contributes every day to our success – she is a dynamo and leads several forward-thinking initiatives that we have established to tackle the challenges of the future," says Managing Partner, Tom Curry. "*She is a key player in shaping Lenczner Slaght's long-term innovation strategy as a member of the Firm's Strategic Council and appointed IT & Innovation partner. Sana is also key to the firm's relationships with life sciences clients. Her scientific background, legal skills and industry knowledge are critical to our ability to solve problems for new and existing firm clients."*

Sana joins Lenczner Slaght partners Shara Roy, Rebecca Jones, Eli Lederman, Matthew Sammon, Monique Jilesen, Mark Veneziano, and Peter J. Osborne in the select group of Canadian lawyers singled out for this prestigious recognition.

Congratulations, Sana!