



# Christina Shiels-Singh

## CHRISTINA SHIELS-SINGH

is a senior law clerk at Lenczner Slaght.

With over two decades of experience as a Law Clerk, with a focus on large, document-intensive cases, Christina assists Lenczner Slaght teams during all litigation steps, including document collection and production, examination for discovery, mediation, arbitration, trial, and appeals.

### Education

Institute of Law Clerks of Ontario (2004)  
Fellowship Certificates in E-Discovery and Computer Forensics (2007), Securities Law (2009) and Litigation Support Document Management (2009), ILCO York University (2004) Certificate in Alternative Dispute Resolution  
LawVision Group (2017) Legal Project Management

### Contact

T 416-865-2860  
cshiels@litigate.com

## SELECT CASES

- **WSIB Investments (Infrastructure) Pooled Fund Trust et al v Plenary Group (Canada) Ltd. et al** – Successful trial counsel to two employee pension and injured workers funds in a breach of fiduciary duty and breach of contract claim with a manager of public infrastructure projects.
- **Empire Steel Inc v 2469521 Ontario Inc** – Counsel to the Defendants in an action arising from an alleged breach of a supply agreement.
- **Larsen v ZF TRW Automotive Holdings Corp; Roy v TRW Automotive** – Counsel to an automotive parts manufacturer in proposed class actions in British Columbia and Ontario relating to allegedly defective airbag control units. Successful in having certification dismissed.
- **Waldron v His Majesty the King in Right of Canada et al** – Counsel to the Claims Administrator in a motion and appeal arising from a dispute over the interpretation of the Indian Day School Settlement Agreement.
- **Confidential Matter** – Counsel to investor in arbitration regarding oppression and dissent claims.
- **Urban Mechanical Contracting Ltd et al v Zurich Insurance Company Ltd** – Counsel to Zurich in an appeal from several applications brought by the lenders and subcontractors on the St. Michael's Hospital Redevelopment Project in Toronto. The lenders and subcontractors sought to prevent Zurich from seeking rescission of surety bonds worth nearly \$300 million in a separate action. The Court of Appeal dismissed the appeal, allowing Zurich to continue with its action for rescission.
- **Jeff Day Hospitality Inc v Heritage Conservation Holdings, Canada, Inc** – Counsel to the vendor in an appeal relating to obligations under the agreement of purchase and sale of a hotel.
- **Li et al v Barber et al** – Agent for class counsel in a class proceeding by residents, employees, and businesses in Ottawa against the Freedom Convoy organizers. Successfully obtained an *ex parte Mareva* order freezing donations made to Freedom Convoy organizers and preserving the funds for the benefit of Ottawa residents, employees, and businesses.
- **City of Hamilton Judicial Inquiry** – Counsel to the City of Hamilton in a Judicial Inquiry into the Red Hill Valley Parkway.
- **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.
- **In the Matter of the Receivership of Xela Enterprises Ltd** – Counsel to the court-appointed receiver in an application to recover a judgment debt from Xela Enterprises Ltd., the parent company to several subsidiaries located primarily in Central America and the Caribbean.
- **Zurich Insurance Company Ltd v 2442931 Ontario Inc, Bondfield Construction Company Limited, John Aquino, Vasos Georgiou and Unity Health Toronto** – Counsel to Zurich in an action to rescind surety bonds worth nearly \$300 million, and to recover over \$68 million, due to collusion and misrepresentations in the bidding process for the St. Michael's Hospital Redevelopment Project in Toronto.
- **Re Investment Management Corporation of Ontario** – Trial counsel to IMCO in a breach of contract claim with manager of public infrastructure projects.
- **Alliance v Gardiner Roberts** – Counsel to the Defendant barristers and solicitors in an action claiming damages of over \$12 million arising from a dental equipment supply agreement. The plaintiffs alleged breach of fiduciary duties and negligence. At trial, nominal damages of only \$2,000 were awarded.
- **Special Committee of the Board of Directors of Aphria Inc.** – Counsel to the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of Aphria Inc. in connection with allegations made by short sellers regarding the value of certain assets and insider dealings.
- **Construction Arbitration** – Counsel to a general contractor in respect of a complex mediation/prospective arbitration process regarding a subway extension project.
- **The Mangrove Partners Master Fund v TransAlta Corporation** – Counsel to the directors of TransAlta Corporation in an oppression claim brought by a significant shareholder.
- **GCT Canada Limited Partnership v Vancouver Fraser Port Authority and Attorney General of Canada** – Counsel to Global Container Terminals in a judicial review of a decision of the Vancouver Fraser Port Authority refusing to consider Global Container Terminal's proposed port expansion project.
- **Tiger Calcium Services Inc v Clark Sazwan** – Counsel to the Plaintiff, Parallel49 in an Alberta action relating to alleged misrepresentations during the purchase and sale of a calcium chloride plant.
- **Re Essar Steel Algoma Inc** – Counsel to the GIP Primus, LP in oppression proceedings brought by the Monitor in the context of Algoma's CCAA proceeding.
- **Petrochemical Commercial Company International Ltd v Nexus** – Counsel to individual respondents in an application relating to a worldwide and multijurisdictional Mareva injunction, including Malaysia, Cyprus and Australia.
- **Construction Dispute** – Counsel to a general contractor in a dispute

with a design subcontractor on a very large transit project regarding design deficiencies and payment for design changes that have arisen over the course of construction.

- **Aecon Mining Construction Services v K+S Potash Canada GP** – Counsel to Aecon in complex litigation involving multiple parties and claims, in respect of the Legacy potash mine and production facility in Saskatchewan.
- **Bourque v Cineflix** – Counsel to Cineflix and related entities in a proposed class action relating to the alleged misclassification of independent contractors in the television production industry.
- **Long-Term Care Homes Public Inquiry** – Commission Counsel to the Public Inquiry into the safety and security of residents in the Long-Term Care Homes System.
- **In the Matter of Benedict Cheng et al** – Counsel to the respondent in Ontario Securities Commission proceedings alleging tipping in an insider trading matter. The proceedings were resolved by way of settlement.
- **Kalra v Mercedes Benz-Canada Inc** – Counsel to the plaintiff in a certified class action related to emissions technology. The parties have recently reached a settlement, which is subject to Court approval.
- **Bernstein v Peoples Trust Company** – Counsel to the Defendants in a class proceeding alleging that various brands of network-branded payment cards were subject to activation, dormancy...
- **Baldwin v Imperial Metals Corporation** – Counsel to the defendant Imperial Metals Corporation in a class action relating to alleged breaches of the Securities Act in connection with a breach of...
- **MacDonald v BMO Trust Company** – Counsel to the defendants in a class action alleging failure to disclose foreign exchange fees in registered accounts.
- **Khavari v Mizrahi** – Counsel to a developer in a dispute relating to the construction and management of two condominium developments. Successfully opposed a motion to...
- **Re Ernst &Young LLP (Sino-Forest and Zungui Haixi)** – Counsel to the respondent auditor in two proceedings brought by the Ontario Securities Commission under the Securities Act resulting in the first no...
- **Teva Canada Limited v Pfizer Canada Inc** – Counsel to Pfizer in an action for damages under section 8 of the PM(NOC) Regulations relating to Lyrica (pregabalin), a neuropathic pain drug. The...
- **Re Sino-Forest Corporation** – Counsel for the defendant auditors of Sino-Forest Corporation in connection with a shareholder class action claiming damages in order of \$9 billion on...
- **Barclays Bank v Metcalfe & Mansfield (Devonshire Trust)** – Counsel to Devonshire Trust in a case arising out of the disruption of the Canadian Asset Backed Commercial Paper market in August 2007. Devonshire...
- **Austin v Overs** – Counsel to the defendant in an action relating to an alleged oral agreement for shares in Pizza Pizza.
- **Ontario Power Authority** – Counsel to the Ontario Power Authority in relation to the review of the construction and relocation of two gas plants by the Ontario legislature's...
- **Wadden v BMO Nesbitt Burns** – Counsel in a successful defence of the defendant brokerage firm at a lengthy trial before the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia in an action for negligence and...

## SELECT PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- **Ten Tips & Reminders for Effectively Using CaseLines** – Christina Shiels-Singh authored the blog *Ten Tips & Reminders for Effectively Using CaseLines*, published on [commercialist.com](http://commercialist.com). Christina is recognized as an expert in navigating CaseLines and is often invited to share her expertise at continuing education programs for organizations such as the Institute of Law Clerks of Ontario. In this blog, she shares her top tips and reminders for effectively using CaseLines.
- **How to Effectively Link Materials in CaseLines** – Christina Shiels-Singh was invited to share her expertise at the Institute of Law Clerks of Ontario. Christina shared her top tips on how to effectively use CaseLines.
- **Law Clerks Annual Program 2023** – Christina Shiels-Singh was invited to present at CDL's annual program for law clerks. Christina shared her expertise on "CaseLines – Preparing for Hearings".

## SELECT NEWS ARTICLES

- **Women in eDiscovery: Member Spotlight** – Christina Shiels-Singh was featured in Women in eDiscovery's member spotlight. Christina shares her favourite thing about working in eDiscovery and advice for young professionals looking to join the field.
- **Lenczner Slaght Appoints eDiscovery Strategist** – Lenczner Slaght is pleased to announce that Christina Shiels-Singh will be the firm's new eDiscovery Strategist responsible for the strategy...

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Institute of Law Clerks of Ontario (Fellow)
- Women in eDiscovery
- International Legal Technology Association
- Digital Evidence and eDiscovery Working Group
- The Sedona Conference