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Expertise

- Litigation
- Competition & Foreign Investment
- Insurance & Reinsurance
- Product Liability
- Regulatory

Biography

Jessica L. Kuredjian is a partner in the Litigation Group at Cassels. She prides herself on being an experienced, practical and efficient advocate who is focused on delivering a high-level of service to her clients. Jessica is known for taking on complex, sensitive and often novel disputes. Her wide-ranging practice focuses on contract disputes, civil fraud, defamation, insurance, product liability, complex personal injury defence and constitutional law. Jessica is an accomplished trial and arbitration lawyer who has represented clients at all levels of court in Ontario, the Licensed Appeal Tribunal, the Financial Services Regulatory Authority of Ontario, the Alberta Insurance Council, Health Canada, the Sports Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada and the Ontario Motor Vehicle Industry Council.

Jessica's selected representative work includes:

- *Ora Trustees Ltd., et al. v. Wade, et al.*, 2022 ONSC 1427 (successfully defended a motion to strike the entire claim)
- *Barber v. CannaPharmaRx*, 2021 ONSC 4844 (successfully resisted an urgent injunction halting a pending real estate transaction, client was awarded substantial indemnity costs)
- *Ontario (Attorney General) v. Norwood Estate*, 2021 ONCA 493 (Acted for the Canadian Constitution Foundation as intervenor on a matter involving the powers of the Crown in civil forfeiture proceedings)
- *Triumph Capital Limited v. BSMW Financial Inc.*, 2020 ONSC 1066 (successful motion to convert application into an action)
- *True North Centre for Public Policy v. Canada (Leaders' Debates Commission)* 2019 FC 1424 (successful mandatory interlocutory injunction forcing the Leaders' Debates Commission/Commission des Debats des Chefs to grant Andrew James Lawton of the True North Centre for Public Policy the media accreditation required to permit him to attend and cover the Federal Leaders' Debates taking place on Monday, October 7, 2019 in the English language and Thursday, October 19, 2019 in the French language)
- *Plaitis v. Balls of Fun Inc.*, 2018 ONSC 5126 (successful motion to resist amendments to Statement of Claim)
- *Berwick v. Samis and Kozmik*, 2018 ONSC 3663 (successful

motion for summary judgment — court rules that a third-party defendant and plaintiff by counterclaim cannot maintain counterclaim and crossclaim for contribution and indemnity when there is no longer a claim for negligence against the defendants)

- *Antony v. Bakthavachalu*, 2017 ONSC 4943 (successful motion against plaintiff's motion for refusals — court confirms statutory third party only needs to provide the reason(s) for its denial of coverage if there is no claim against an under/uninsured motorist insurer)
- *Bruff-Murphy v. Gunawardena*, 2017 ONCA 502 (court finds the trial judge failed to properly discharge his gatekeeper duty at the qualification stage by permitting expert witness to testify — new trial ordered — leave to Supreme Court of Canada denied)
- *J.C v. State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance Company*, Arbitration, Final Decision, FSCO 5339 (successful Arbitration regarding an applicant's entitlement to post-104 Income Replacement Benefits)

Achievements

- *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch* (Corporate and Commercial Litigation)
- University of Toronto, Arbor Award (2019)

Recent Representative Work

- Cassels Successfully Represents Intervenor in Ontario Court of Appeal Case on Civil Forfeiture
- Cassels Successfully Represents Equestrian Canada on Appeal Concerning Selection of Athlete/Horse Combination Nominees for Tokyo Olympic Games
- Cassels Represents the Canadian Constitution Foundation as Intervenor in Ontario Court of Appeal Case on Civil Forfeiture
- Cassels Represents the Underwriters in Bear Creek Mining's \$34.5 Million Bought Deal Financing

Insights

- Bustin Outside the Traditional Limits of Liability? Court Declines to Strike Claim Brought by Bystander for Witnessing a Motor Vehicle Accident
- Product Liability Newsletter – December 2022
- Franchisee Claims Don't Cut the Mustard: Supreme Court of Canada Narrowly Declines to Impose Duty of Care between Mr. Sub Franchisees and Exclusive Supplier

Education / Bar Admissions

- J.D., Queen's University, 2014
- B.A. (Hons.), University of Toronto, 2009
- Ontario, 2015

Associations

- Canadian Defence Lawyers
- Law Society of Ontario
- The Advocates' Society