

NADA NICOLA-HOWORTH

Defence Class Actions

PARTNER

"You have to know the facts. You have to know the substantive law. That's a given. In a class action you also have to stay on top of evolving law. The reward is finding new strategic options that others fail to see while looking at the same set of facts."

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PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- ◆ Partner, Lerners LLP (2009 to present)
- ◆ Associate lawyer, Lerners LLP (1999-2008)
- ◆ Articling student, Lerners LLP (1997-1998)

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS

- ◆ Court rejects 'certify now, worry later' approach, The Lawyers Weekly, October 30, 2009

ACHIEVEMENTS

- ◆ Selected by peers for inclusion in Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory for Medical Negligence & Professional Liability (2021-2022)
- ◆ Selected by peers for inclusion in Best Lawyers in Canada for Health Care Law, Medical Negligence, Professional Malpractice Law
- ◆ Centennial Scholarship (1995-1996)
- ◆ Patrick A. A. Ryan Prize for Outstanding Achievement in Trial Advocacy (1996-1997)
- ◆ Dean's Honour List
- ◆ Represented the University of New Brunswick at the Laskin Moot Court Competition (1995-1996)

MEMBERSHIPS

- ◆ Canadian Bar Association
- ◆ Ontario Bar Association

EDUCATION

- ◆ Admitted to Ontario Bar (1999)
- ◆ Bachelor of Laws, University of New Brunswick (1997)
- ◆ Bachelor of Commerce (Management and Marketing), Saint Mary's University (1994)

NOTEWORTHY CASES

- ◆ *Pugliese v. Chartwell*, 2024 ONSC 1135: Successfully defended the Regional Municipality of Durham in a class action certification motion arising from COVID-19 deaths and infections at long-term care homes during the pandemic.

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