

# STEPHEN R. SCHENKE

Health Law

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*"While every case is a totally unique set of issues and circumstances requiring its own defence strategy, the objective never changes - successfully defend the reputation of my client."*

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## PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- ◆ Partner, Lerners LLP (1991 to present)
- ◆ Associate lawyer, Lerners LLP (1987-1991)
- ◆ Associate lawyer, Cohen Melnitzer (1985-1987)
- ◆ Instructor, Bar Admission Course, London, ON (1990-1996)
- ◆ Adjunct Professor of Law, Faculty of Law, The University of Western Ontario (1991-1993)

## NOTEWORTHY CASES

- ◆ *Bondy v The Corporation of the City of London and Lyszczyk* (2014) ONCA 291 – case involved liability of adjacent property owner for slip and fall
- ◆ *Rando Drugs Ltd. v. Scott* (2007), 86 O.R. (3rd) 641, C.A. – case involved issue of reasonable apprehension of bias of trial judge
- ◆ *Armitage v. Brantford General Hospital* (2004) 71 O.R. (3rd) 44 – case involved issue of limitation period against physician
- ◆ *Unger v. Unger* (2004) 68 O.R. (3rd) 257, C.A. – case involved issue of insurer's obligation to defend
- ◆ *Muscutt v. Courcelles* (2002) 60 O.R. (3rd) 20, C.A. – case involved jurisdiction of Ontario Courts as a result of tort committed outside of Ontario
- ◆ *Van Patter v. Tillsonburg District Memorial Hospital* (2000) 45 O.R. (3rd) 223, C.A. – case involved availability of third party proceeding in view of previous Release signed by plaintiff

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- ◆ Selected by peers to be included in The Best Lawyers in Canada for Healthcare Law, Insurance Law, Medical Negligence, and Professional Malpractice Law
- ◆ Best Lawyers in Canada London/Windsor Insurance Law Lawyer of the Year (2014, 2020, 2022)
- ◆ Recognized by Lexpert as being repeatedly recommended in personal injury law (represents defendants) (2010-2012, 2017-2020)
- ◆ Instructor, Bar Admission Course, London, ON (1990-1996)
- ◆ Adjunct Professor of Law, Faculty of Law, The University of Western Ontario (1991-1993)
- ◆ Dean's Honour List, Faculty of Law (1983)
- ◆ Sophie Boyd Award, Faculty of Social Work (1982)
- ◆ Ontario Graduate Scholar (1980)

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS/PUBLICATIONS

- ◆ "Navigating the Legal System After a Motor Vehicle Collision", with D. Lambe, S. Fabiani and D. Gauvreau, *Psychological Injury and Law*, published by Springer Nature, July 2018

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- ◆ Presentation on Law and Medicine to Otolaryngology Head and Neck Surgery Residents at the University of Western Ontario in January 2014 and September 2015
- ◆ Speaker at Osgoode Short Course in Mediation Advocacy, September 2014
- ◆ Publication of paper called "To Crack or Crumble: Use of the Thin Skull and Crumbling Skull Rules" in the Journal of Psychological Injury and Law, May 2013, with Drs. Iezzi and Duckworth
- ◆ Lecturer on discoveries at the Osgoode Certificate in Personal Injury Law, April 17, 2013
- ◆ Presenter at 7th Annual Straight from the Bench Conference in London, May 2012
- ◆ Presenter at the Court House Series Conference in London, February 2012
- ◆ Information Disclosure in the Practice of Social Work and Malpractice in Social Work, University of Toronto Press, 1985 ([Read online](#))
- ◆ Handbook of Alternative Housing for Psychiatric Patients in Canada, Canadian Mental Health Association, 1979

## MEMBERSHIPS

- ◆ Middlesex Law Association
- ◆ Ontario Bar Association
- ◆ Canadian Bar Association – Ontario
- ◆ The Advocates' Society
- ◆ Canadian Defence Lawyers

## EDUCATION

- ◆ Called to the Ontario Bar (1985)
- ◆ The University of Western Ontario, Faculty of Law, Bachelor of Laws (1983)
- ◆ University of Toronto, Faculty of Social Work, Master of Social Work (1981)
- ◆ The University of Western Ontario, Bachelor of Arts with major in Psychology (1978)

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