

Speaker Profile



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With more than 20 years of experience in Canada and the U.S., Dominique Hussey is recognized by clients as "a dynamo", "intelligent", a "great litigator", "a true professional", "extremely client-focused" and providing "very sound, business-minded advice."

Dominique is Vice Chair & Toronto Managing Partner at Bennett Jones. In addition to her management role, she actively represents and advises clients. Dominique leads the firm's Intellectual Property Litigation group and is co-head of its Innovation, Technology and Branding group. She was named Outstanding Practitioner in Patent Law by Managing IP in their Americas Awards in 2020 and was a finalist for the 2021 Canadian Patent Litigator of the Year (LMG Life Sciences Awards North America). For the last five years, Managing Intellectual Property has named her in the Top 250 Women in IP in the world.

Dominique's practice involves all aspects of IP litigation and dispute resolution (patent, trademark, copyright, contracts, trade secrets), with particular emphasis on litigation involving pharma/biotech and energy-related patents, and trademarks. She counsels on trademark, patent, copyright, trade secret, advertising, marketing, packaging, labelling, and regulatory matters—most often pertaining to pharmaceuticals, biologics, legal cannabis, food and beverages, medical devices, and natural health products.

Dominique regularly consults on transactions involving IP and regulated industries. She is depended on to structure and negotiate complex strategic settlements and arrangements, with an eye to positive business and litigation outcomes. She also offers her experience to assist clients in navigating the IP aspects of corporate acquisition, re-organization and joint ventures, including, and, with respect to the life sciences and health care industries, the regulatory and competition aspects.



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Before joining Bennett Jones, Dominique practised at a large law firm in New York, where she provided litigation and counselling services to pharmaceutical and consumer products companies in the areas of patents, trade secrets and false advertising, with a particular focus on pharmaceutical patent litigation.

Dominique regularly writes, speaks, and teaches on the topics of written and oral advocacy, litigation, intellectual property, and leadership. Actively involved in several industry organizations, she serves as the treasurer on the Executive Committee of the 5000-member Advocates' Society. She is also a member of the Board of Directors of the Bennett Jones partnership, on which she served as Lead Director for four years. For the last eight years, she has served as adjunct faculty at the University of Toronto law school for the Harold G. Fox Intellectual Property Competitive Program.