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## EDUCATION

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- 2023      **Doctor of Juridical Science** (Direct-entry), University of Toronto  
Dissertation: *Whose Justice? A Comparative Approach to Canadian Civil Lay Justice*  
Supervisors: Professors David Dyzenhaus & Michael J. Trebilcock  
Committee member: Professor Gillian K. Hadfield
- Fall 2022      **Visiting Researcher**, Harvard Law School  
Affiliated with the [Access to Justice Lab](#)  
Supervisor: Professor James D. Greiner
- 2015      **Bachelor of Civil Law / Bachelor of Laws (Honours)**, McGill University  
Thesis:      *Legal Pluralism and Aboriginal Rights: A New Multijural Forum for Resolving Aboriginal Land Claims*  
Supervisor: Dean Daniel Jutras

## WORK AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- 2023 – present      **Assistant Professor**, McGill University Faculty of Law
- 2023      **Boulton Junior Fellow**, McGill University Faculty of Law
- 2021 – 2022      **Course Lecturer**, McGill University Faculty of Law
- 2017 – 2023      **Litigation Associate**, Norton Rose Fulbright Canada LLP  
• Focus on appeals, constitutional law, consumer law, and construction law.
- 2016 – 2017      **Law Clerk to the Hon. Clément Gascon**, Supreme Court of Canada
- 2014 – 2016      **Research Assistant to the Hon. Louise Otis**, McGill University  
• Drafted research articles, mediation memoranda and arbitral awards.  
• Contributed to reforming the internal courts of two international organizations.
- 2014      **Legal Intern**, International Institute for the Unification of Private Law (UNIDROIT)  
• Contributed to the [UNIDROIT/FAO/IFAD Legal Guide on Contract Farming](#).  
• Represented UNIDROIT at the Food and Agriculture Organization (UN) for the negotiation of the *Principles for responsible agriculture and food investments*.
- 2013 – 2014      **Student Law Clerk to the Hon. Marie St-Pierre**, Quebec Court of Appeal
- 2012 – 2013      **BLG Fellow and Research Assistant to Prof. Robert Leckey**, McGill University

**TEACHING (MCGILL UNIVERSITY)**

2023-2024	Contractual Obligations / <i>Obligations contractuelles</i> , LAWG 100, 6 credits
Winter 2023	<i>Obligations contractuelles</i> , LAWG 100D2, 3 credits
Winter 2022	Legal Ethics and Professionalism, LAWG 210, 3 credits (with Julia Atack)
Fall 2021	Advocacy, PRAC 200, 1 credit
Fall 2021	The Law of International Organizations, LAWG 550, 1 credit (with Louise Otis)
Winter 2019	The Law of International Organizations, LAWG 552, 1 credit (with Louise Otis)
Fall 2014	Teaching Assistant to Prof. Yaëll Emerich, <i>Droit des biens</i> , PRV1 144, 3 credits

**AWARDS**

2023	<a href="#"><i>Best Lawyers 2024: Ones to Watch in Canada</i></a> <sup>™</sup> in Administrative & Public Law and Corporate & Commercial Litigation	Best Lawyers®	-
2023	John W. Durnford Award for Teaching Excellence	McGill University Law Students' Association	\$3,700
2023	Hommage bénévolat-Québec Award / Young Volunteer category (Claude-Masson Award)	Government of Québec	-
2023	James G. Wright Award	McGill Alumni Association	-
2022	<a href="#"><i>Best Lawyers 2023: Ones to Watch in Canada</i></a> <sup>™</sup> in Administrative & Public Law and Corporate & Commercial Litigation	Best Lawyers®	-
2021	Finalist, Lawyer of the Year – <i>Pro bono</i>	Young Bar of Montreal	-
2020 – 2023	Vanier Canada Graduate Scholarship	SSHRC	\$150,000
2020 – 2023	Pierre Elliott Trudeau Doctoral Scholarship	Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation	\$180,000 (max.)
2020 – 2021	Mary & Louis Anisman Fellowship in Law and Fairness	University of Toronto	\$2,500
2019 – 2021	Doctoral Fellowship – Faculty of Law	University of Toronto	\$24,000
2019 – 2020	Canada Graduate Scholarship in Honour of Nelson Mandela – Master's Level	SSHRC	\$17,500
2015	Aimé Geoffrion Gold Medal	McGill University	-
2013 – 2015	Dean's Honours List	McGill University	-
2015	Maxwell Cohen Award in public international law	McGill University	\$1,620
2015	Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt Prize in corporate and commercial law	McGill University	\$300
2014	Bereskin & Parr Prize in intellectual and industrial property	McGill University	-
2014	Patricia Allen Award for involvement in the faculty	McGill University	-
2014	Kark Claxton Jr. Memorial Award	McGill University	\$750
2012	Borden Ladner Gervais Research Fellowship	McGill University	\$12,000
2011 – 2015	W. Garfield Weston Loran Award	Loran Scholars Foundation	\$80,000 (max.)
2009 – 2012	National Excellence Award	Millennium Scholars Foundation	\$25,000 (max.)
2009	Academic Medal – Bronze	Governor General of Canada	-

2009	Youth Medal	Lieutenant Governor of Québec	-
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## PUBLICATIONS

### PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- “Actions collectives et tribunaux administratifs : un vide juridictionnel à combler” [2023] (2022) [67:4 McGill Law Journal 453](#).
- “L’Acte de Québec : relique du passé ou charte contemporaine?” [2023] (2022) [63 Cahiers de droit 785](#).
- “Shelters of Justice in Displaced Persons Settlements: A Proposal for Rohingya Camps” (2022) [73 University of New Brunswick Law Journal 42](#) (with Louise Otis).
- “Public Access to Online Hearings” (2022) [45:2 Dalhousie Law Journal 303](#).
  - Featured by the [University of Toronto](#), the [Lawyers’ Daily](#), and the [Law Times](#).
- “In Search of Coherence: Burden and Standard of Proof in International Administrative Law” (2021) [18:3 International Organizations Law Review 507](#) (with Louise Otis).

### OTHER JOURNAL ARTICLES

- “The Hybridization of Lay Courts: From Colombia to England and Wales” (2023) [98:1 Chicago-Kent Law Review 191-216](#).
- “L’affaire *Marcotte* à l’intersection du fédéralisme, de la protection du consommateur et de l’accès à la justice” (2021) [103 Supreme Court Law Review \(2d\) 103](#).
  - Also published in Jérémy Boulanger-Bonnelly & Joshua Sealy-Harrington, eds, *Une force tranquille – The Judicial Legacy of Clément Gascon* (Toronto: LexisNexis, 2022).

### PEER-REVIEWED CHAPTER

- “Inspiring Analogies: From Access to Healthcare to Access to Justice” in Vinícius Alves Barreto da Silva, ed, [Access to Justice in the Americas](#) (Rio de Janeiro: Fórum Justiça, 2021) 443.
  - [Featured in Fórum Justiça’s video series “Intercultural Dialogues”](#).

### OTHER CHAPTER

- “The Protection of Legitimate Expectations in Global Administrative Law” in George P Politakis, Tomi Kohiyama & Thomas Lieby, eds, [ILO 100 – Law for Social Justice](#) (Geneva: ILO, 2019) 395 (with Louise Otis).

### EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

- *Une force tranquille – The Judicial Legacy of Clément Gascon* (Toronto: LexisNexis, 2022) (co-edited with Joshua Sealy-Harrington).
  - Also published as [volume 103 of the Supreme Court Law Review \(2d\)](#) (2021).

### BOOK REVIEW

- “Sanja Kutnjak Ivković, Shari Seidman Diamond, Valerie P. Hans and Nancy S. Marder, eds. *Juries, Lay Judges, and Mixed Courts: A Global Perspective*. Cambridge, UK: Cambridge University Press, 2021.” (2022) [37:1 Canadian Journal of Law and Society 179](#).

## OP-EDS AND BLOG POSTS

- “Accessing Justice through Local Lay Courts”, *The Lawyers’ Daily*, June 2023 (invited).
- “[Online Hearings and Open Courts](#)”, *Dalhousie Law Journal Blog*, 6 October 2022.
- “[Opponents of Bill 21 have reason for optimism](#)”, *Montreal Gazette*, 21 April 2021 (with Diane Rollert and Gregory Bordan).
- “[L’accès à la justice ne se limite pas aux cliniques juridiques universitaires](#)”, *Options politiques*, 15 December 2020.
- “[Canada can help with the Rohingyas’ legal needs](#)”, *Policy Options*, 18 December 2019 (with Louise Otis).
- “[Les droits des personnes trans : quelques leçons d’un recours historique](#)”, (2019) 59:2 *Education Canada* 38.
- “[La fin des hommes n’est pas arrivée](#)”, *Le Devoir*, 17 March 2016 (with Benjamin Prud’homme, Julien Gagnon and Eddy Pérez).
- “[Nous ne sommes pas des moustiques](#)”, *Le Devoir*, 3 February 2016 (collective op-ed).

## OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS

- Collaborated to the advisory committee for the following report: Action Committee on Access to Justice in Civil and Family Matters, [A2J & Legal Education](#), December 2023.
- Association du Barreau canadien – Division du Québec, [Brief to the National Assembly of Québec on Bill 8, An Act to improve justice efficiency and accessibility, in particular by promoting mediation and arbitration and by simplifying civil procedure in the Court of Québec](#), 15 February 2023 (collective drafting).
  - Presented to the Institutions Committee on 16 February 2023 ([recording available online](#)).
- Interligne, [Brief submitted to the Committee on Institutions of the National Assembly of Québec, Special consultations and public hearings on Bill 2, An Act respecting family law reform with regard to filiation and amending the Civil Code in relation to personality rights and civil status](#), 30 November 2021.
- Coalition Inclusion Québec, [Brief submitted to the public consultations of the Quebec Community Groups Network on Bill 96](#), 27 August 2021.

## CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

### UPCOMING

- “L’Acte de Québec d’hier à aujourd’hui : Son contenu et son évolution”, *L’Acte de Québec après 250 ans : souligner le passé, fonder l’avenir*, Quebec City, 5-7 June 2024.
- “Les actions collectives et le droit du logement”, *La négociation collective en matière de logement*, Observatoire pluridisciplinaire sur le devenir du droit privé, Ottawa, 21 March 2024.

## 2023

- “Contributions civilistes à l’interprétation des lois constitutionnelles canadiennes”, *Evolving Approaches to Constitutional Interpretation in Canada*, Ottawa, 8-10 November 2023.
- “Fostering an A2J-oriented legal community: Early introduction to A2J”, *A2J Week 2023*, Action Committee on Access to Justice in Civil and Family Matters, online, 24 October 2023.
- “Access to Person-Centred Dispute Resolution: The Potential of Lay Courts”, *International Forum on Access to Justice*, Irvine, California, 11-13 October 2023.
- “David v. Goliath: When the State Tailors its Own Private Claims”, *Private Law and the State*, Obligations Conference X, Banff, 11-14 July 2023.
- “Civil Lay Judges: A Global Overview”, *Separate and Unequal*, Global Meeting on Law & Society, San Juan, Puerto Rico, 1-4 June 2023.
  - Chair of a panel on “The Search for Juror Impartiality” at the same conference.
- “Person-Centred Dispute Resolution: The Potential of Lay Courts”, Person-centred justice workshop, BC Access to Justice Centre for Excellence, Toronto, Canada, 29 May 2023 (invited).
- “Civil Lay Judges: A Global Overview”, *Reckonings and Re-imaginings*, Annual Meeting of the Canadian Law & Society Association, Toronto, Canada, 27 May 2023.
- “Teaching at the Intersection of Access to Justice and Public Participation”, *Civil Procedure Early Career Panel*, Canadian Association of Law Teachers, Online, 10 March 2023 (invited).

## 2022

- “Sandboxes: What’s the Buzz?” (Organizer and moderator), *Fall Law Series*, Canadian Bar Association, online, 8 December 2022.
- “The Hybridization of Lay Judges”, *Visiting Scholars and Researchers’ Colloquium*, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA, 22 November 2022.
- “[We’ve Got the Data: Now What? – Putting the growing base of A2J data into action](#)”, *Access to Justice Week Presentation*, Action Committee on Access to Justice in Civil and Family Matters, online, 27 October 2022 (invited).
- “The Purported Impact of Religious Symbols on Children and Parents: Lessons from Canadian and European Jurisprudence”, *Human Dignity, Law, and Religious Diversity: Designing the Future of Inter-Cultural Societies*, International Consortium for Law and Religion Studies, Córdoba, Spain, 19-21 September 2022.
- “The Professionalization of Civil Lay Justice: From Colombia to England and Wales”, *Rage, Reckoning & Remedy*, Global Meeting on Law & Society, Lisbon, Portugal, 13-16 July 2022.
  - Chair of a panel on “Lay Participation Around the Globe” at the same conference.

- “[The rights of trans youth in Quebec](#)”, CPD Session, Norton Rose Fulbright, 15 June 2022 (online, with Mtre Michel Bélanger-Roy and Ky Fleming).
- “Jurisdictional Fault Lines: Rethinking Section 96 to Protect Access to Justice”, (*Legal Adaptation*, 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the Graduate Law Students Association, McGill University Faculty of Law, Montreal, 5-6 May 2022).
- “Enjeux linguistiques de l’accès à la justice dans un système bijuridique et bilingue”, *Art, Activism and Advocacy Conference*, Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation, Winnipeg, 30 April 2022.
- “Making the Case for Public Legal Expenses Insurance”, Annual Conference of the Socio-Legal Scholars Association, York, United Kingdom, 6-8 April 2022.

## 2021

- “The Case for Public Legal Expenses Insurance”, *Early Scholars Showcase Series*, Canadian Law and Society Association, 10 December 2021 (online).
- “The Case for Public Legal Expenses Insurance”, *Law in Interesting Times*, Postgraduate Conference, Te Piringa Faculty of Law, Waikato University (NZ), 2 December 2021 (online).
- “Droits des personnes trans et non-binaires : une avancée historique”, CPD session, National Bank of Canada, 14 October 2021 (online, with Mtre Michel Bélanger-Roy).
- “Repenser les limites de l’action collective : pleins feux sur le regroupement de recours en matières administratives”, CPD session, Barreau de Laval, 13 September 2021 (online).
- “Public Access to Online Hearings: Balancing Transparency with Privacy”, *Northern Relations*, Annual Meeting of the Canadian Law and Society Association, 4 June 2021 (online).
- “Public Access to Online Hearings: Finding the Right Balance”, *Crisis, Healing, Re-Imagining*, Annual Meeting of the Law & Society Association, 27 May 2021 (online).
- “L’Acte de Québec : Relique du passé ou charte contemporaine?”, *Les Lieux du droit*, Conference #307 of the 88<sup>th</sup> ACFAS Congress, Groupe de recherche sur les humanités juridiques, 7 May 2021 (online).
- “La pertinence de l’Acte de Québec dans le paysage juridique contemporain”, CPD session, Barreau de Laval, 6 May 2021 (online).
- “Making it local: Decentralization and access to justice”, *Law’s Topologies: The Map, Territory and Spaces in Between*, Annual Conference of the Graduate Law Students Association, Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, 20 February 2021 (online).

## 2020

- “Access to Healthcare and Justice”, Doctoral workshop, University of Toronto Faculty of Law, 15 April 2020 (online).



## MEDIA INTERVIEWS

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- Radio-Canada, “[Harcèlement sexuel : l’Ontario veut interdire les accords de non-divulgence](#)”, *Radio-Canada.ca*, 6 November 2023.
- Luis Millán, “[Quebec legal world divided over notaries gaining access to bench](#)”, *Law360 Canada*, LexisNexis, 7 March 2023.
- Annabel Oromoni, “[Lawyer and U of T researcher examine how COVID-19 impacted the public's ability to witness justice](#)”, *Law Times*, Canadian Lawyer, 1 August 2022.
- Amanda Jerome, “[Accessible information for online hearings needed, broadcast appellate courts: U of T researcher](#)”, *The Lawyers’ Daily*, LexisNexis, 14 July 2022.
- Nina Haikara, “[U of T researcher examines how COVID-19 shifted public access to Canada's courtrooms online](#)”, *U of T News*, University of Toronto, 11 July 2022.
- Cristin Schmitz, “[Top judge says ‘partisan politics never comes into play’ in decisions from oft-divided Supreme Court](#)”, *The Lawyer’s Daily*, LexisNexis, 8 February 2022.
- Brigitte Pellerin, “[Implement COVID-19 task force recommendations](#)”, *National Magazine*, Canadian Bar Association, 18 January 2022.
- Justin Ling, “[The illusory right to counsel in Canada](#)”, *National Magazine*, Canadian Bar Association, 25 November 2021.
- Yves Faguy, “[Why not commit to transforming justice?](#)”, *National Magazine*, Canadian Bar Association, 8 September 2021.
- Justin Ling, “[Access to justice – Loosening the purse strings](#)”, *National Magazine*, Canadian Bar Association, 21 April 2021.
- Cristin Schmitz, “[Lawyers praise Gascon’s contributions to SCC and Canadian civil and common law](#)”, *The Lawyer’s Daily*, 29 October 2019.
- Ariane Lacoursière, “[Une chaîne humaine contre le projet de loi 21](#)”, *La Presse*, 5 May 2019.

## INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE (McGILL)

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- Admissions Committee, Faculty of Law, 2023 – 2024.
- Faculty Advisor, McGill Journal of Dispute Resolution, 2023 – 2024.
- Legal Assessor, Committee on Student Discipline, 2023 – 2026.
- Secretary of Faculty Council, Faculty of Law, 2023.

## SERVICE TO ACADEMIC COMMUNITIES

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- Member of the organizing committee for the annual conference, Canadian Law and Society Association, 2023 – present.
- Member of the Board, Canadian Law & Society Association, 2023 – present.
- Member of the Advisory Panel, National Self-Represented Litigants Program, 2023 – present.

- Member of the Metrics Subcommittee, Action Committee on Access to Justice in Civil and Family Matters, 2023 – present.

## PEER REVIEW OF SCIENTIFIC ARTICLES

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- Canadian Journal of Law and Society
- McGill Law Journal

## MENTORSHIP & SUPERVISION

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- Mentor, Loran Scholarship, 2023 – present.
- Supervisor – Four term papers, McGill University, Fall 2023
- Moderator, *BLG Student Research Mini-Conference*, McGill University, 6 March 2023.
- Judge, *Canadian National Negotiation Competition*, McGill University, 24-25 February 2023.
- Panelist, *DCL Seminar on the Trudeau Scholarship*, McGill University, November 2021.
- Panelist, *SJD Seminar on External Awards*, University of Toronto, August 2020 and 2021.
- Panelist, *Graduate Studies*, Scholars' Retreat, Loran Scholars Foundation, August 2020.
- Co-Leader, *Emergence debrief on human rights*, Pierre Elliott Trudeau Foundation, June 2020.
- Speaker, Finalists' Forum, Loran Scholars Foundation, January 2020.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE

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| 2021 – present | <b>Chair of the Committee on Legislation and Law Reform</b> , Canadian Bar Association – Quebec Section <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member in 2021-2022; chair in 2022-2023 and 2023-2024.</li> </ul>  |
| 2020 – present | <b>Member of the Access to Justice Subcommittee</b> , Canadian Bar Association <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Member in 2020-2021 and 2023-2024; chair in 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.</li> </ul>   |
| 2020 – present | <b>Board Member</b> , La Clairière – Compagnie de création théâtrale  |
| 2019 – present | <b>Member of the Legal Clinic Committee</b> , Interligne  |
| 2020 – 2023    | <b>Vice-President of the Board and Chair of the Governance Committee</b> , Interligne   |
| 2019 – 2023    | <b>Member of the Board</b> , Interligne <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interligne (formerly Gai-Écoute) is a first response centre on LGBTQ+ issues.</li> <li>• Recipient of the Engagement Prize in 2020-2021.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Panelist for the audio version of the LEXIC2 Guide</a>, regarding the relationships between LGBTQ+ people and the justice system (in French).</li> </ul>   |
| 2019 – present | <b>Administrator of an Interview Committee</b> , Loran Scholars Foundation  |
| 2018 – present | <b>Pro Bono Counsel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• For the LGBT+ Family Coalition and two families in a case aiming for the legal recognition, in Quebec, of multiparent families.</li> <li>• For the Coalition Inclusion Québec and three teachers in proceedings challenging the constitutionality of the <i>Act respecting the laicity of the State</i>.</li> <li>• For Gender Creative Kids in proceedings challenging the constitutionality of articles of the <i>Civil Code of Québec</i> affecting trans youth.</li> </ul> |



2010 – present	<b>Member of the Jury for the Teacher Award (Montreal),</b> Forces AVENIR
2020 – 2021	<b>Member of the Alumni Fundraising Committee,</b> Loran Scholars Foundation
2018 – 2022	<b>Member of the Federal Executive and Council,</b> New Democratic Party of Canada
2015 – 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Co-chair of the Policy Committee in 2021-2022.</li> </ul>
2012 – 2015	<b>Board Member, President of the Executive Committee,</b> Jeune Conseil de Montréal <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organize a yearly simulation of the Montreal municipal council.</li> <li>• Supervise the drafting process for by-laws and commission reports.</li> </ul>
2012 – 2014	<b>Co-Editor-in-Chief,</b> Quid Novi – McGill Law’s student newspaper
2011 – 2016	<b>Member of the Board,</b> Fonds étudiants solidarité travail I et II du Québec (FTQ) (joint funds of the FTQ and the Government of Québec)

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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- Member, Paul-André Crépeau Centre for Private and Comparative Law (2023 – present)
- Young Governor, Quebec Bar Foundation (2022 – present)
- [Collective of the Observatoire pluridisciplinaire sur le devenir du droit privé](#) (2022 – present)
- [Research Collaborative on Lay Participation in Law](#), Cornell Law School (2021 – present)
- [Canadian Association for Legal Ethics](#) (2021 – present)
- Law and Society Association (2020 – present)
- Canadian Law and Society Association (2019 – present), member of the board (2023 – present)
- Advocates’ Society (2018 – present)
- Canadian Bar Association (2017 – present)
- Quebec Bar (#3285405) (2017 – present)

## LANGUAGES

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- Fluent in English and French
- Advanced knowledge of Spanish
- Basic understanding of Anishinaabemowin and German