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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

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Date of Birth: February 8, 1930
Nationality: Canadian

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

B.A., McGill University, 1950;
LL.L, University of Montreal, 1953;
Barrister and Solicitor, Bar of Montreal, 1954;
Queen's Counsel, 1971;

Appointed Avocat Émérite (Ad.E.) of the Bar of Quebec, 2007;
Appointed an Officer of the Order of Canada, (O.C.) 2008;
Awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal, 2012.

LANGUAGES

English and French

PRESENT FUNCTIONS

Private Practice 2019.

March 4, 2019

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Bar of Montreal;
Bar of Quebec;
Quebec Bar Association;
Canadian Bar Association;
Past Chairman, Intellectual Property Law Committee, National Council;
National Research Council of Canada (1978-1981, 1981-1984);
Intellectual Property Institute of Canada, Past President, Member of Distinction;
International Association for the Protection of Intellectual Property (AIPPI), Past Executive President and Member of Honor;
AIPPI Canadian Group, Past President.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Intellectual property: patents, trademarks, copyright;

Has been a sessional lecturer in intellectual property law at McGill University (in English) and at the University of Montreal (in French).

EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Has practiced almost exclusively in the field of intellectual property for more than 40 years as barrister and solicitor;

Has developed and headed, within a general law firm, a group of intellectual property lawyers and practitioners now numbering over 65;

Has practiced litigation in numerous court cases and also as a solicitor drafting licensing and other agreements involving patents, trademarks and copyrights.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Has written various articles on patents, trademarks and copyright, the most recent being:

“The Role of GATT/TRIPS, of WIPO and of AIPPI in the further Development of Intellectual Property Right Protection,” *AIPPI 1987-1997 Centennial Edition*, Switzerland, 1997;

“Rétrospective des événements marquants au Canada dans le domaine des brevets d’invention,” *Les Cahiers de propriété intellectuelle*, automne 1997.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Has appeared before all the courts of Quebec and Canada;

Has acted as lead counsel in all the courts of the Province of Quebec, the Federal Court of Canada, both Trial and Appeal Divisions, and its predecessor, the Exchequer Court of Canada, and the Supreme Court of Canada over the period commencing in 1956 until the present time;

The subject matter of the court cases concerned patent infringement and validity in the areas of mechanical devices, pharmaceuticals, photography and telephony, trademark infringement and validity, copyright infringement, unfair competition in the area of confidentiality agreements and employment contracts, as well as injunction cases involving intellectual property.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN MEDIATION

Attended the WIPO Workshop for Mediation in Intellectual Property Disputes, Geneva, June 1998.

EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION

Has acted as arbitrator in cases involving trademark infringement complaints by clients against members of the bar and in numerous domain name disputes.
