

## WIPO LIST OF NEUTRALS

### BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

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### EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

LL.B., University of Ottawa, Canada, 1985;  
M.A. Carleton University Norman Paterson School of International Affairs,  
Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, 1982;  
B.A. (Hons.), McGill University, Montréal, Quebec, Canada, 1980;  
Barrister & Solicitor:  
Law Society of Upper Canada, Ontario, Canada, 1988

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## LANGUAGES

English, French

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## PRESENT POSITION

Counsel, Advisory Centre on WTO Law, Geneva.

Responsibilities include:

Providing international trade advice on World Trade Organization (WTO) Agreements to governments and acting as counsel before WTO dispute settlement panels and Appellate Body.

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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Of Counsel, Sonnenschein, Nath & Rosenthal, Geneva and Washington, DC, 1999-2001;

Counsel, Trade Law Division, Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs & International Trade, Ottawa, Ontario, 1996-98;

Acting Director and Officer, U.S. Trade and Economic Policy Division, Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs & International Trade, 1993-96;

Trade Commissioner, Canadian High Commission, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, 1990-93;

Trade Policy Officer, Services, Investment and Intellectual Property Division, Canadian Department of Foreign Affairs & International Trade, 1989-90;

Corporate Counsel, National Trust Company, Head Office, Toronto, Ontario, 1989.

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## AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

International Trade Law, WTO and NAFTA;

Trade-Related Intellectual Property.

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## MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Member:

- American Bar Association (Section on Intellectual Law and Practice);
  - Canadian Bar Association;
  - Professional Association of Foreign Service Officers;
  - Vice-President, Geneva Women in International Trade;
  - Advisory Board, Organization of Women in International Trade (OWIT);
  - Law Society of Upper Canada.
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## EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

At ACWL, currently advising government clients on how to comply with international intellectual property agreements;

At Sonnenschein, provided advice to corporate clients on intellectual property issues;

For Canadian government, during Uruguay Round of multilateral trade negotiations, worked in Services, Investment and Intellectual Property division and contributed to development of Canada's negotiating position during the negotiation of TRIPS Agreement; and provided advice on various trade-related intellectual property issues.

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### EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

As member of Sonnenschein's E-Commerce Practice Group which dealt with several domain name cases.

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### MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

**Publications:**

"Setting the Course on Data Privacy", Biztech Section, *International Herald Tribune*, May 28, 2001;  
"E-Commerce in International and Regional Organizations", in *International Ecommerce: Business and Legal Issues*, CCH Publications: Illinois, 2001;  
"The Right to Retaliate Under the WTO Agreement", co-author with Brendan McGivern, *Journal of World Trade*, Vol. 34, No. 2 April 2000, pp.63-84.

**Seminars:**

Panelist, British Institute of International and Comparative Law, London, May 15, 2002. Delivered paper on "Trends in WTO Dispute Settlement."  
Panelist, Asia-Pacific Economic Co-operation (APEC) Advanced Seminar on WTO Dispute Settlement, Singapore, held prior to APEC Mediation Experts' Group. Delivered paper on "Implementation Issues arising under the WTO Agreement", April 1999;  
Panelist, Seminar on International Trade Law: WTO Dispute Settlement, hosted by the Center for Trade Policy and Law and the Trade Law Division, Ottawa, delivered paper on "Issues of Conflict between the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and the General Agreement on Trade in Services (GATS)", March 1998.

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### EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Counsel for Government of India in WTO dispute settlement case against the United States on rules of origin;  
Counsel for Government of Canada in WTO case brought by European Communities on services issues;  
Acted as counsel in several lower court cases in Canada.

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### PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN ARBITRATION

WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center's Workshop for Arbitrators, Geneva, November 9 and 10, 2000;

Asia-Pacific Economic Co-operation Advanced Seminar on WTO Dispute Settlement. April 1999.  
Workshop Leader for the Arbitration Simulation Exercise for Government officials from developing countries.

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### EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION

Has handled high profile WTO cases on behalf of the Governments in the capacity of Lead Counsel, Co-counsel and trade policy advisor.

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**ARBITRATION EXPERIENCE**

**SUMMARY TABLE**

Type	Administering Institution		Role			
	Name	Number of Arbitrations	Presiding Arbitrator	Sole Arbitrator	Co-arbitrator	Counsel
International Arbitrations	AAA					
	WTO	2				2
	ICC					
	LCIA					
	Ad Hoc					
Number of cases: sub-total		2				2
Domestic Arbitrations	AAA					
	Ad Hoc					
Number of cases: sub-total						
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>2</b>				<b>2</b>