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## Profile

In 2012, Desneiges joined the Ottawa office of McCague Borlack LLP as an associate. Prior to joining the firm, Desneiges summered and articulated at a full-service firm in Ottawa. Desneiges practices civil litigation, with a focus on insurance law and employment law.

Desneiges' experience includes personal injury claims, property damage claims, subrogation and a variety of coverage disputes. She has experience with municipal liability claims including flooding matters and slip and fall actions.

Desneiges has acted or assisted on matters before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, Provincial Offences Court, the Ontario Labour Relations Board, the Sport Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada and the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario.

Showing her passion for advocacy early on, Desneiges competed in moots in her first and second year of law school. In 2009, Desneiges represented Queen's University at the Wilson Moot. The Queen's team placed second nationally. In third year, Desneiges was a recipient of an award for her contribution to the Queen's Law moot program.

While at law school, Desneiges volunteered for Pro Bono Services, many committees, and as a tutor/mentor for first year law students. Desneiges received the Denis Marshall Memorial Award for her outstanding contribution to the Queen's Law Community. Desneiges continues to volunteer for non-profits in the Ottawa area.

## Education

- JD, Queen's University, 2011
- Bachelor of Arts, Great Distinction, University of Saskatchewan, 2006

## Publications and Speeches

- **The Dubious Status of Henson Trusts** by Desneiges Mitchell and Martin Smith, First presented at an MB Client Seminar, June 09, 2014
- **The Top 5 Tort Cases of the Preceding Year and Ever Increasing Damage Awards and the Future Care Case Law** by Martin Smith and Desneiges Mitchell, September 13, 2013
- **Five Years Later: The Application of the Human Rights Code Today** by Martin Smith and Desneiges Mitchell, First presented at MB's Employment Law Seminar, April 09, 2013

## Professional and Business Affiliations

- Law Society of Upper Canada
- County of Carleton Law Association
- The Advocates' Society.
- Canadian Bar Association

## Associate Lawyer

Bar Admission: 2012

## Practice Areas

- Animal Law
- Defamation & Reputation Management
- Employment Law
- Environmental Liability
- General Casualty & Special Risks
- Human Rights, Harassment & Abuse
- Insurance Coverage
- Personal Injury
- Professional Liability
- Property Insurance
- Sports, Recreation & Resort Liability
- Subrogation
- Transportation Law



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