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Practice Areas

Accident Benefits
General Casualty & Special Risks
Health, Life & Disability Insurance
Insurance Coverage
Mediation, Arbitration & ADR
Municipal Liability
Personal Injury
Product Liability
Professional Liability
Property Insurance
Sports, Recreation & Resort Liability
Transportation Law

Jennifer's expertise lies in both the defence of insurance claims and in the area of insurance coverage. She defends first party claims against insurers arising from both property damage and claims under the Statutory Accident Benefits Schedule. She defends third party claims against insurers and their clients, arising from all types of accidents and incidents. Her expertise in coverage encompasses issues arising under various types of policies, including auto, CGL, and construction-related policies.

Jennifer has appeared before the Ontario Superior Court of Justice, the Ontario Court of Appeal, the LAT, FSCO, and numerous private arbitrators. As much as she loves presenting a persuasive argument on behalf of her clients, Jennifer is keenly aware that there is always risk in the courtroom. She apprises each client of new developments promptly, to ensure they have all necessary information so they can jointly develop the appropriate strategy for the matter. In all cases, Jennifer's goal is to achieve the best possible outcome for each client, within the framework of their philosophy. Jennifer remains focused on her client's needs, adapting her approach accordingly. Jennifer's practice remains focused on her client's needs at all times.

Outside of her legal practice, Jennifer enjoys the company of her teenage son, hiking, yoga, board games, cooking, and (slowly) getting back into running.

Education

- Specialized Honours B.A. and Certificate of Practical Ethics, York University - 2003
- J.D., Faculty of Law, University of Toronto – 2004

Professional and Business Affiliations

- Law Society of Ontario - 2005
- The Advocates' Society
- Ontario Insurance Networking
- Renfrew County Law Association

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Publications and Speeches

Jennifer is often asked to speak at seminars and conferences on a wide range of topics, including coverage disputes, contract interpretation, claims handling matters, changes to the legal landscape, and trial-related issues. She has published chapters, papers, and articles on Coverages A, B, and D of the CGL policy in general; how to read a policy; specific coverage under the CGL for employment-related practices, employer's liability, and advertising injury; claims arising from maintenance issues in both the commercial and residential contexts; and significant legal developments.



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