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Carina is a senior technology and litigation lawyer, with substantial experience advising clients on a broad range of legal issues related to technology and intellectual property law and privacy.

As part of BLG's Technology Group and Artificial Intelligence Group, Carina has a special interest in advising clients on how emerging technology developments, such as in Artificial Intelligence (AI), autonomous vehicles (AV) and electric vehicles (EV), cloud computing and big data, life sciences, and data privacy/security may impact their business.

With a background in computer engineering, Carina assists technology and pharmaceutical clients in protecting and transacting their intellectual property rights, including patents, copyrights, trade secrets, licences, and social media rights. She advises clients on structuring, drafting and negotiating complex commercial and technology agreements, and licences.

Carina has extensive experience litigating complex patent cases for many global pharmaceutical companies, including Federal Court proceedings under the *Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance Regulations)*. Carina also assists clients in managing and defending their trademark portfolios and in dealing with privacy law issues. She has appeared before the Federal Court of Canada, the Federal Court of Appeal, the Patent Appeal Board

and the Trademarks Opposition Board, and has advised on matters involving the Patented Medicines Prices Review Board.

Carina has advised many technology, telecommunications, and defence sector clients in managing their regulatory environment and procurement transactions with government, including appearing before the Canadian International Trade Tribunal and Federal Court of Appeal in related procurement disputes.

Carina has in-depth knowledge of Canadian administrative law and practice, including judicial review. The Governor-in-Council appointed her for two terms as a tribunal member for the Military Grievances External Review Committee, a federal administrative tribunal, where she adjudicated federal labour disputes.

Prior to her legal career, Carina was an aeronautical engineer and project manager for the federal government, and was directly responsible for negotiating and managing public-sector procurement contracts. Carina is fluent in English and French.

Experience

- Acting as counsel for innovator and generic companies in proceedings brought pursuant to the Patented Medicines (Notice of Compliance) Regulations, related to the validity and infringement of pharmaceutical patents.
- Acting as counsel for innovative companies defending generic companies' claims for damages pursuant to Section 8 of the NOC Regulations.
- Acting as counsel in patent, trademark and copyright infringement actions.
- Acting as counsel in opposition and judicial review proceedings.

Insights & Events

- Author, "Section 53.1 of the Patent Act – An update on the Canadian version of file wrapper estoppel ", BLG Article, June 2021
- Author, "Recent amendments to the Canadian Patent Act have come into force", BLG Article, June 2019

Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 1999
- LLM, Osgoode Hall Law School, 2015
- LLB, University of Ottawa, 1997
- B.Eng., Royal Military College of Canada, 1990



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