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Health Care & Life Sciences Commercial Litigation Class Actions Health Care Disputes Products Law MedTech

Keegan defends hospitals, healthcare organizations and professionals against allegations of professional misconduct and negligence in both civil and regulatory contexts. He also represents corporate and individual clients in a broad range of commercial disputes, including contract disputes, product liability claims and class actions.

Keegan regularly advises clients on matters related to medical devices and technology, regulatory compliance, incident reporting, adverse events, physician credentialing, privacy, disclosure and risk management.

Keegan has acted as lead counsel at all levels of court in Ontario, and has represented clients before other courts, administrative bodies and tribunals, including the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench, the College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario, the Consent and Capacity Board, the Health Professions Appeal and Review Board, and the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario. For several years, Keegan taught the Trial Advocacy course at Queen's University as an Adjunct Professor in the Faculty of Law.

Experience

- Counsel to physicians, nurses, and other healthcare providers in the defence of various proceedings involving allegations of medical negligence and professional misconduct, including jury and non-jury trials, appeals, complaints, investigations, motions, and inquests.
- Counsel to a hospital in the defence of a class action relating to data breaches by former employees.
- Counsel to a pharmaceutical company in the defence of a product liability class action relating to a drug used in the treatment of Parkinson's disease.

Counsel to a distributor in the defence of a \$60 million product liability claim against various local and international defendants in relation to the supply of allegedly defective pipe to a major oil sands project.

- Counsel to one of the world's largest charitable organizations in a contractual dispute relating to a \$29 million grant.
- Counsel to shareholders in oppression and breach of contract claims, as well as in disputes concerning the relationship between shareholders and the dissolution and winding up of corporations.

Insights & Events

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- Author, "Ontario decision: Common law quality assurance privilege to protect quality of care reviews", BLG Article, October 2023
- Medical device litigation trends in Canada and the U.S., BLG Video, April 2023
- Medical Device Roundtable: Post-Market Surveillance Obligations, BLG Video, November 2021
- Author, "Health Canada releases guiding principles on artificial intelligence and machine learning for medical devices", BLG Article, November 2021
- Author, "Health Canada regulatory spotlight on medical device post-market surveillance", BLG Article, November 2021
- Supply chains in a post-pandemic world, BLG Perspective, June 2021
- Author, "3D printing during COVID-19", BLG Article, April 2020
- Author, "Spotlight on medical devices in the age of COVID-19", BLG Article, April 2020

Beyond our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member-At-Large, Executive Committee, CBA Health Law Section
- Member, The Advocates' Society
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, Ontario Bar Association
- Member, Medico-Legal Society of Toronto
- Member, Toronto Commercial Arbitration Society

Community Involvement

- Unaccompanied Minors Project, 2009-2017
- Pro Bono Law Ontario Small Claims Court Duty Counsel, 2009-2015

Awards & Recognition

- Recognized in the 2025 edition (and since 2022) of *Best Lawyers in Canada* (Health Care Law) and since 2024 (Corporate and Commercial Litigation).
- Recognized in the 2025 edition of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert*® *Directory* (Life Sciences & Health), and since 2023 (Litigation - Product Liability, Medical Negligence) and in the 2024 edition (Litigation -Corporate Commercial).
- Recognized in the 2025 edition of Lexpert Special Edition: Health Sciences.



- Recognized in the 2024 edition (and since 2023) of *Lexpert Special Edition: Technology and Health Sciences.*
- Recognized in the 2024 edition (and since 2023) of Lexpert Special Edition: Litigation.

Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 2009
- JD, York University, 2008
- MBA,, Schulich School of Business, 2008
- B. Eng., (Mechanical),, York University, 2004

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