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Karine Chênevert is a Partner in Commercial Litigation and Co-Leader of the Class Actions Group. She is recognized for her advocacy skills, winning strategies, and down-to-earth, client-centric approach.

Her practice focuses on class action and general commercial litigation in areas such as competition, consumer protection, shareholder disputes, and privacy.

In addition to teaching in the university certification program in corporate governance offered by the Collège des administrateurs de sociétés, Karine counsels corporate directors and officers on their roles and responsibilities.

She has been named a rising star on several occasions, including by *Lexpert* and *Benchmark*, and has been awarded the prestigious Advocatus Emeritus (Ad. E.) title by the Barreau du Québec. Her excellence in General Commercial Litigation has been recognized by *Chambers Canada* and other rating agencies. She has also been recognized for her professionalism and reputation in Class Actions and in Banking and Financial Institutions.

Karine has led or contributed to major class-action victories for BLG, such as:

- *Hazan v. Micron Technology inc.*, where she represented Samsung's entities and successfully defeated a competition class action at the authorization stage;

- *Pilon c. Banque Amex du Canada* regarding over-the-limit spending on credit cards, in which the Court also dismissed an application at the authorization stage, a decision later confirmed on appeal and maintained up to the Supreme Court dismissal of the petition for judicial review;
- *Haroch c. Toronto-Dominion Bank*, challenging the mortgage prepayment charges levied by The Bank of Nova Scotia and other banks, and dismissed for the second time at the authorization stage.

Methodical and efficient, Karine is often asked to manage cross-jurisdictional files involving stakeholders in other parts of Canada, but also in the U.S. and elsewhere in the world.

Experience

- Represents defendants in class actions with a national scope and regularly represents Canadian and foreign clients in commercial disputes, particularly in the areas of conflicts between shareholders, governance, competition, securities, privacy and consumer protection
- Also acts regularly in various arbitration, injunction and extraordinary remedy proceedings

Presentations & Publications

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, The Advocates' Society
- Member, Class Actions Expert group, Barreau du Québec
- Member, Organizing Committee, National Conference on Class Actions, Barreau du Québec

Awards & Recognition

- Named Advocatus Emeritus (Ad. E.) of the Barreau du Québec 2023
- Recognized in the 2027 edition (and since 2018) of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* (Corporate and Commercial Litigation) and since 2021 edition (Class Actions)
- Recognized in the 2027 edition (and since 2025) of *Chambers Canada* (Litigation: General Commercial (Québec))
- Recognized in the 2026 edition (and since 2019) of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* (Litigation - Corporate Commercial), the 2026, 2024, 2023 and 2020 editions (Class Actions), and the 2023 edition (Banking & Financial Institutions)
- Recognized in the 2026 edition of *Benchmark Litigation* as a Litigation Star
- Recognized in the 2026 edition of *Lexpert Special Edition: Technology*
- Recognized in the 2025 edition (and since 2017) of *Benchmark Canada – The Definitive Guide to Canada's Leading Litigation Firms & Attorneys* as a Future Star: Québec

- Recognized in the 2025 edition (and since 2020) of *Lexpert Special Edition: Litigation*
- Recipient, 2022 Women in Law Leadership Stronger Together Award for Québec
- Recognized in the 2021 *Benchmark Litigation Canada's* 40 & Under Hot List and since 2021 as a Future Star
- Recognized in the 2021 as a *Lexpert Rising Star*: Leading Lawyer Under 40
- Recognized in the 2020, 2018 and 2017 editions of *Benchmark Litigation's 40 and Under Hotlist*
- Recognized in the 2017 edition of *Benchmark Canada – The Definitive Guide to Canada's Leading Litigation Firms & Attorneys* as a Future Star: Québec
- Winner of the Francophone Orator of the Year Competition at the Annual Speaking Contest of the Young Bar Association of Montréal (YBAM) in 2010
- Earned second place in the "Prix Paris-Montréal de la Francophonie 2010" Competition

Bar Admission & Education

- Québec, 2005

- LLB, Université de Montréal, 2004

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