

## BLG lawyers highlighted as star litigators

**Toronto (August 5, 2021)** — Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (BLG) has been recognized by *Benchmark Litigation*, with 10 partners included in its [Top 50 Women in Canada](#) and [40 & Under Hot List](#).

Partners [Nadia Effendi](#) and [Cait Sainsbury](#) have both been named one of *Benchmark Litigation's Top 50 Women in Canada* for the second consecutive year. This award is based on a significant research process involving a review of individual litigators' professional activities as well as client feedback surveys and one-on-one interviews.

*Benchmark* also selected eight additional BLG partners to its *40 & Under Hot List*, which recognizes the best and brightest partners in litigation who stand out in their practice throughout the U.S. and in Canada.

These partners include:

- [Karine Chênevert](#)
- [Loni da Costa](#)
- [Krista M. Johanson](#)
- [Justine B. Laurier](#)
- Matti Lemmens
- [Michelle T. Maniago](#)
- Anne Merminod
- [Patrick Plante](#)

BLG's [Disputes Group](#) is the preeminent litigation practice in Canada. Our diverse and experienced team works to prevent or resolve disputes by collaborating with clients to gain a complete understanding of their business and strategic objectives. BLG's dedicated advocates reflect the knowledge and experience of the strongest, most well-rounded group of litigators and legal staff in Canada.

### For more information, please contact:

**Tamara Costa**

National Director, Marketing and Communications  
Borden Ladner Gervais LLP  
[TCosta@blg.com](mailto:TCosta@blg.com)  
416.350.2642



---

## **BLG | Canada's Law Firm**

As the largest, truly full-service Canadian law firm, Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (BLG) delivers practical legal advice for domestic and international clients across more practices and industries than any Canadian firm. With over 725 lawyers, intellectual property agents and other professionals, BLG serves the legal needs of businesses and institutions across Canada and beyond – from M&A and capital markets, to disputes, financing, and trademark & patent registration.

[blg.com](https://www.blg.com)

© 2025 Borden Ladner Gervais LLP. Borden Ladner Gervais LLP is an Ontario Limited Liability Partnership.