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Antoine is recognized for his extensive knowledge in civil litigation, commercial disputes, and class actions. A versatile lawyer, his experience covers a variety of topics, including civil liability, privacy laws, as well as special remedies such as injunctions and safeguard orders. He has developed a distinctive practice by handling large-scale, complex cases involving significant legal and commercial issues for his clients.

His commitment to defending his clients' interests is reflected in his ability to effectively argue before a wide range of jurisdictions, whether arbitration tribunals, the Federal Court of Canada, or various judicial bodies in Québec. He is particularly involved in large-scale class actions, where his rigour, technical expertise, and ability to handle strategic issues prove valuable assets.

His practice stands out for his strategic approach, his understanding of technical issues, and his ability to effectively defend his clients' interests.

Experience

- **Defense of the Canadian Pacific Railway Company** (*Ouellet v. Canadian Pacific Railway Company*, 2022 QCCS 4643, upheld by *Attorney General of Quebec v. Canadian Pacific Railway Company,* 2025 QCCA 230): Antoine is part of the team representing the company’s interests in all legal proceedings in Québec concerning the derailment that occurred in Lac-Mégantic in July 2013, a major case that raises complex civil liability issues.

- **Representation of Google LLC** (*Option Consumers v. Google,* 2022 QCCS 2308): Antoine acts on behalf of the company in a class action regarding its compliance with the legislative and regulatory framework on privacy and personal data protection.
- **Defense of Peoples Trust Company**: He represents the financial institution in a class action concerning the activation fees for prepaid credit cards.
- **Representation of Take-Two Interactive Software, Rockstar Games, 2K Games, and Zynga**: He represents these video game companies in a class action involving their business practices, particularly in the alleged offering of loot boxes in certain video games. This case led to a decision by the Court of Appeal regarding the jurisdiction of Québec courts at the authorization stage for class actions involving a nationwide proposed class (*Electronics Arts Inc. v. Bourgeois*, 2023 QCCA 826).
- **Defense of FCA Canada Inc.**: He represents the automobile manufacturer's interests in a class action concerning the use of key fobs regarding an issue related to product liability and compliance with the *Consumer Protection Act*.
- **Representation of McGill University**: Antoine defends McGill University in a class action regarding health insurance premiums for students, a case involving contractual rights and regulations applicable to group insurance.
- **Montreal Airport Authority** (*Pollués de Montréal-Trudeau (LPDMT) v. Aéroports de Montréal (ADM)*, 2021 QCCS 367, upheld by *Pollués de Montréal-Trudeau v. Aéroports de Montréal (ADM)*, 2022 QCCA 1646): Antoine successfully contributed to defending the Montreal Airport Authority in a class action concerning the alleged pollution from airborne nanoparticles.
- **Representation of a global real estate leader**: He frequently represents one of the largest global players in the real estate sector in various contractual and commercial disputes in Québec, demonstrating extensive knowledge in commercial real estate litigation.

Insights & Events

- Top 10 commercial decisions of 2023: What Canadian businesses need to know, BLG Video, April 2024
- Author, "Cannabis Regulation Act: Summary of Murray-Hall v. Attorney General of Québec, 2023 SCC 10", BLG Article, May 2023
- Author, "The Court of Appeal upholds the dismissal of an environmental class action at the authorization stage", BLG Article, February 2023
- Author, "Provincial appellate court cases in Canada", BLG Article, July 2022

Awards & Recognition

- Nominated for the Commercial Litigation Team of the Year Excellence Award at the Canadian Law Awards, in recognition of the work done to defend the Canadian Pacific Railway Company in the civil actions stemming from the Lac-Mégantic derailment.
- Recognized in the 2026 edition (and since 2025) of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* - Ones to Watch™ (Corporate and Commercial Litigation)

Bar Admission & Education

- Québec, 2019
- LL.B., Université de Sherbrooke, 2018

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