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Disputes
Appellate Advocacy
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Hanna maintains a broad litigation practice, with a focus on public and administrative law, complex civil and commercial disputes, class actions, and appeals. She advocates and advises clients in a wide range of industry sectors including e-commerce, technology, financial services, health, energy, land-use planning, transportation, and construction.

With a collaborative and analytical approach, Hanna excels in addressing legal and factual complexities, pinpointing critical details, and devising innovative strategies that shape litigation outcomes. Her practice embodies a commitment to thorough analyses, creative problem-solving, and navigating the intricacies of regulatory, procedural, and technical issues.

Hanna has appeared before all levels of Court in Ontario and has worked on matters before domestic and international arbitral tribunals, and the Land Tribunal of Ontario.

Hanna's background is in media, culture, and communications. Prior to joining BLG, Hanna worked in digital media production for New York's flagship public television station, WNET, and in marketing for an international transforming furniture company (aka murphy beds). In law school, Hanna was an editor for the McGill Law Journal (MLJ), and oversaw the MLJ podcast team.

Experience

- *Ontario (Health Insurance Plan) v. K.S.*, 2025 ONCA 306 – counsel to the intervener, Egale Canada, in a landmark decision regarding access to gender-affirming care.

- *Hospital for Sick Children v. Ontario (Information and Privacy Commissioner)*, 2025 ONSC 5208 – counsel to the intervener, the Ontario Hospital Association, in a dispute about notification requirements following ransomware attacks.
- Counsel for a public energy utility in a significant arbitration defending claims for reimbursements and declaratory relief under a series of system purchase and sale agreements, resulting in a full withdrawal of claims.

Insights & Events

- Author, "SCC leaves the door open to tort claims against election officials", BLG Article, June 2026
- Author, "No need for access, theft or disclosure: encryption of data is notifiable under PHIPA and CYFSA", BLG Article, September 2025
- Author, "SCC denies leave to appeal in landmark case subjecting climate change regulation to Charter scrutiny", BLG Article, May 2025
- Ontario class actions 2023 year in review, BLG Perspective, August 2024
- Author, "A second chance for Canada's single-use plastics regulations", BLG Article, February 2024
- Author, "Ontario Court of Appeal rules against plaintiffs in trilogy of privacy class actions", BLG Article, December 2022

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member, Ontario Bar Association
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, The Advocates' Society

Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 2024

- J.D./B.C.L, McGill University, 2023
- B.Sc., New York University, 2015

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