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Biography

Alissa Raphael practises health law, acting as General Program Counsel for Miller Thomson On Call (MTOC), an innovative program designed for health industry clients providing practical and timely legal, risk management, policy development, and educational services. MTOC provides legal and risk management advice for day-to-day and urgent issues. An after-hours hotline is available for urgent legal matters.

Alissa's experience in health law and policy enables her to clearly articulate practical advice that health industry clients require.

Alissa completed her articles at a major national law firm, where she gained experience in health general counsel and medical litigation matters. Prior to joining Miller Thomson, Alissa worked at the Ontario Hospital Association as Legislative Advisor, at the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, Health Program Policy and Standards Branch as a Senior Policy Advisor, and mostly recently at Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care as Legal Counsel and Enterprise Risk Management consultant.

Thought leadership

Presentations

- Considerations for End-of-Life Treatment Post-Rasouli, Coffee Talk: A Health Industry Seminar Series, May 28, 2014
- Working with Police, Coffee Talk: A Health Industry Seminar Series, October 16, 2013

Publications

- [Mandatory Notice Requirements under PHIPA and Public Consultation on Proposed Regulation Regarding Notices to the Commissioner](#), Health Communiqué, April 13, 2017
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- [Four Month Extension Granted for Criminal Code Provisions Preventing Physician-Assisted Dying](#), Health Communiqué, January 18, 2016
- Ontario College of Pharmacists Seeking Feedback on Proposed Regulations Regarding Oversight of Hospital Pharmacies, Health Communiqué, March 19, 2015
- Passage of Bill 21 Brings Significant Changes to Hospital Pharmacy and Health Professional Regulation, Health Communiqué, February 13, 2015
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- Complying with Revised Regulations under the *Optometry Act*, Health Communiqué, September 4, 2014

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- What Health Industry Organizations Need to Know about the Provincial General Election, Health Communiqué, May 22, 2014
- Reports from Investigations into Chemotherapy Under-Dosing Incident Make Recommendations to Strengthen Medication Oversight, Health Communiqué, April 28, 2014
- Ontario Proposes Sweeping Changes for Broader Public Sector Accountability, Health Communiqué, March 28, 2014
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- Health System Transformation—Year Two Progress Report of Ontario's Action Plan for Health Care Released, Health Communiqué, February 6, 2014
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- Researched and summarized relevant policy and legislative amendments and jurisprudence to update chapters titled "Hospital Privileges" and "Regulation of Pharmaceuticals", Canadian Health Law Practice Manual, Butterworths, October 2008 – May, 2009
- Updated Food and Drug Regulations commentary with the addition of recent parliamentary discussions and reports from applicable federal departments and agencies including Health Canada and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency, Canadian Food and Drug Legislation & Commentary 2010, LexisNexis, January – March, 2009

Professional memberships

- Member, Ontario Bar Association
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Managing Editor, Health Law in Canada Journal
- Member at-large, OBA Health Law Executive
- Member of the Medico-Legal Society of Toronto

Bar admissions & education

- Ontario, 2009
- LL.B., University of Windsor, 2008
- M.Sc., (health studies & gerontology), University of Waterloo, 2006
- B.A., (gerontology), McMaster University, 2003
- B.A. (health sciences, honours), Western University, 2002