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Industries & Expertise

INDUSTRIES

Agribusiness and Food Production | Banking and Financial Services | Charity & Not-For-Profit

EXPERTISE

Charities and Not-For-Profit | Corporate Law | Financial Services | Corporate Governance | Mergers and Acquisitions

Biography

BAR ADMISSION

Ontario, 1999

EDUCATION

- LL.B., Western University, 1997
- B.A. (Economics), Queen's University, 1994

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English

Kristina Shaw brings a wealth of corporate law experience to the table, catering to a diverse clientele spanning from start-ups to large, established corporations. Known for her practical approach and cost-effective advice,

Kristina is devoted to nurturing reliable relationships with entrepreneurs and corporate leaders, helping them navigate mergers, acquisitions and dispositions, lending and asset-based financing transactions, business structures, partnerships, joint venture arrangements, and corporate reorganizations. She is also involved in the firm's social impact practice and works with a number of not-for-profit and charitable entities on governance matters and mergers.

Kristina's insightful contributions to industry journals accentuate her broad experience and commitment to legal scholarship, while her involvement in community groups – including roles on the boards of the Southwestern Ontario YMCA and the Children's Health Foundation – showcase her dedication to not-for-profit and charitable causes, making her a well-rounded legal partner for any business venture.

A respected legal professional, Kristina is a proud member of the Canadian Bar Association and the Middlesex Law Association. Her consistent recognition in industry publications such as *The Best Lawyers in Canada* and *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* underscores her knowledge and experience in corporate law, banking, mergers & acquisitions, and more. Her accolades, including the Lexpert Zenith Award for Mid Career Excellence, and her crowning as Best Lawyers' 2017 Corporate Law "Lawyer of the Year" in London/Windsor, exemplify her excellence in the legal realm and her dedication to her craft.

Industry involvement

Recognition

- *Lexpert Special Edition – Mergers & Acquisitions Law*, 2025
- *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*, Corporate Commercial Law, 2014 – 2026; Banking and Financial Institutions, 2017-2026; Mergers & Acquisitions, 2022-2023, 2026; Charities/Not-For-Profit Law, 2025
- *The Best Lawyers in Canada* – Corporate Law, 2015-2026
- Lexpert Zenith Award: Mid-Career Excellence in the Legal Profession, 2018
- Recognized by *Best Lawyers*[®] as the 2017 Corporate Law "Lawyer of the Year" in London/Windsor
- Recipient, Stuart Tom Prize in Business Law
- Recipient, McCarthy Tetrault LLP Prize in Business Law
- Recipient, Greta J. Grant Award for Community Legal Services

Thought leadership

- "Control of Governance: Who are the Proper Members and Directors of a Charitable Not-For-Profit Corporation?" *Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter*, June 2010

Notable Matters

- Represented a US-based shareholder of large national animal feed and nutrition manufacturer on the sale of shares of Canadian subsidiary to a multinational animal nutrition and health products distributor.
- Represented a Southwestern Ontario-based company in connection with the sale of a retirement residence to a national retirement residence and seniors' living operator.
- Represented a large national animal feed and nutrition manufacturer in connection with their merger with another Canadian-based animal feed manufacturer and distributor.
- Represented sellers of an Ontario-based agricultural automation developer and manufacturer to a global animal health company.

Community roles

- Board Member, Southwestern Ontario YMCA
- Vice-Chair Corporate Governance Committee, Southwestern Ontario YMCA
- Co-chair 2021 Southwestern Ontario YMCA Women of Excellence Steering Committee
- Chair, Personal Gifts Division, London Regional Children's Museum, 2002 Capital Campaign
- Vice-Chair and Director, Children's Health Foundation
- Committee Chair, Fore the Kids Golf Tournament
- Past President, London Convention Centre
- Past President, Goodwill Industries Ontario Great Lakes
- Member, Management Committee, Stiller Centre for Technology Commercialization
- Member, Emerging Leaders Sustainability Taskforce

Memberships & affiliations

- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, Middlesex Law Association
- Member, TechAlliance of Southwestern Ontario
- Member, London Club