

# Sheila Morris

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## Industries & Expertise

**EXPERTISE**

Commercial Litigation | Estates and Trusts Litigation

## Biography

**BAR ADMISSION**

Ontario, 2013

**EDUCATION**

- B.A. (Hons), English Literature, University of Ottawa
- LL.B., Queen Mary University of London
- M.Sc., Global Health, Trinity College Dublin

Sheila practices in all areas of estates and trusts litigation, and her reputation as a skilled and tenacious advocate have been recognized by well-respected industry directories. Sheila's practical approach unravels complex issues, providing effective and budget-conscious legal guidance to her clients. She represents individuals, families, financial institutions, and charities in various matters including will disputes, support claims, guardianship, and trust proceedings. Active within the legal community, Sheila is frequently invited to speak at and chair diverse continuing education programs.

Sheila has authored insightful articles on estate planning, holograph will issues, attorney responsibilities, and professional negligence. Her contributions in publications and at legal summits highlight her experience and commitment to delivering valuable insights to the legal community.

Sheila holds key positions on the executives of several Ontario and Canadian Bar Association sections. And, her peers have recognized her efforts, repeatedly voting her to the list of The Best Lawyers in Canada for Trusts and Estates Law.

## **Industry involvement**

### **Recognition**

- *The Best Lawyers in Canada – Trusts and Estates Law, 2022-2025*

### **Thought leadership**

- Author, “Protecting the Prince: Estate Planning in the Royal Family” *Money & Family Law*, March 16 2021
- Author, “Handmade: Issues with Holograph Wills,” *The Lawyers Daily*, February 25, 2021
- Co-Author, “When Does an Attorney Start to Act,” 23rd Estates and Trusts Summit,” *Law Society of Ontario*, October 8, 2020
- Author, “David v Goliath: The Court of Appeal on Litigation with Self-Represented Parties,” *Ontario Bar Association*, June 10, 2020

### **Memberships & affiliations**

- Ontario Bar Association Trusts and Estates Law Section Executive, Member-at-Large (2021 – present)
- Ontario Bar Association Elder Law Section Executive, Member-at-Large (2019 – 2021), CPD Liaison (2022)
- Canadian Bar Association, National Wills, Estates, and Trusts Section Executive, Member-at-Large (2022)
- Toronto Lawyers’ Association
- Advocates Society
- Legal Education Action Fund
- Women’s Law Association of Ontario