



Areas of expertise

- Administrative law
- Quasi-criminal prosecution and defence
- Civil litigation

Bar admission

- 2010

Education

- J.D., University of Toronto
- B.B.A. (Gold Medallist), Wilfrid Laurier University

Languages

- English and French

Biography

Justin practices mainly in the areas of administrative law, quasi-criminal prosecution and defence, and civil litigation.

As part of his administrative law practice, Justin has successfully prosecuted several anti-doping cases for the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sport, including acting as the lead counsel in the only anti-doping appeal to be heard in Canada (where his client was successful in overturning the original decision). Justin also prosecutes and defends cases before a variety of other administrative tribunals, including the Ontario Securities Commission, the Ontario Energy Board and academic discipline tribunals. He regularly represents clients in related judicial review applications and appeals before the Divisional Court.

In his civil litigation practice, Justin focuses on contract law, defamation and cases raising human rights issues. He is an experienced litigator, having appeared as counsel before arbitrators, administrative tribunals, every level of court in Ontario, and four times before the Supreme Court of Canada.

Justin teaches administrative law at Osgoode Hall Law School's Professional LLM program, and writes frequently on legal topics in both industry and mainstream publications. He is the co-editor of the Stockwoods LLP Administrative and Regulatory Law Case Review. Following law school, he clerked for the Honourable Justices Laskin, Goudge and MacFarland at the Court of Appeal for Ontario.



Professional Recognition

- Named as one of Wilfrid Laurier University's "Leaders of Tomorrow"
- Macdonald Prize, Alan Borovoy Prize, Blakes Scholar Award, BLG Professional Excellence Award and McCarthy Tétrault Prize (University of Toronto Faculty of Law)
- Alumni Gold Medalist (WLU's School of Business and Economics)

Representative Work

- Co-counsel to the Canadian Centre for Ethics in Sports in a number of anti-doping hearings, including three involving Pan Am and Olympic bound athletes who tested positive for prohibited substances.
- *Joint Coroner's Inquest into the Deaths of Seven First Nations Youths in Thunder Bay*. Part of Stockwoods team representing Thunder Bay Police Service and Thunder Bay Police Services Board in one of the longest inquests in Ontario's history.
- *First Nations Child and Family Caring Society v. Attorney General of Canada*, 2016 CHRT 2. Represented an interested party in this groundbreaking human rights case, where the Canadian Human Rights Tribunal found that the government's funding scheme for First Nations children living on reserves amounted to discrimination.
- *Ontario (Attorney General) v. Kittiwake Sailboat*, 2015 ONSC 6106. Appointed *amicus curiae* in this civil forfeiture proceeding, with application judge Corbett J. noting that Mr. Safayeni's "excellent submissions were of great assistance to the court."
- *Tsilhqot'in Nation v. British Columbia*, [2014] 2 SCR 257. Lead counsel for interveners in this leading decision on the test for aboriginal title.
- *Siskinds LLP v. Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce*, 2014 ONSC 3983, aff'd 2015 ONCA 265. Resisted summary judgment, and succeeded in having the action dismissed in its entirety, based on the proper interpretation of a commercial contract.
- *In the matter of Energy Syndications Inc.*, OSC Decision released November 27, 2013. Counsel to individual respondent in this sanctions hearing, and successfully obtained rare order of partial (vs full) disgorgement of profits, based on mitigating circumstances.
- *Goldcorp Canada Ltd. v. Ontario Energy Board*, 2012 ONSC 3097 (Div Ct); *Pollution Probe Foundation v. Ontario Energy Board*, 2012 ONSC 3206 (Div Ct). Acted for the Energy Board in these appeals that sought to attack a decision of the Board as unreasonable and lacking jurisdiction, and successfully had both appeals dismissed.



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Selected Publications

- Co-editor, *Stockwoods Administrative and Regulatory Law Case Review* (2015-present)
- Co-author, “Ban Russian Athletes from Rio Olympics”, *Toronto Star* (July 24, 2016)
- Co-author, “Journalist’s legal loss to RCMP sets dangerous precedent”, *Toronto Star* (April 5, 2016)
- “*MacDonald v. Chicago Title Insurance Company of Canada* and the Resurrection of Correctness Review in Contractual Interpretation Appeals”, *Toronto Law Journal* (February 2016)
- Co-author, “Injunctive Relief and the Departing Employee”, *LSUC Special Lectures 2012 – Employment Law and the Social Media Age* (Irwin Law: 2012)
- Co-author, “Prematurity and Adequate Alternative Remedies in the Post-*Dunsmuir* Era”, presented at the Osgoode Professional Development Administrative Law conference (2012)

Selected Teaching & Speaking Engagements

- Speaker, “The Nuts and Bolts of the Summary Judgment Motion”, Ontario Bar Association’s Continuing Professional Development Program (forthcoming, November 2016)
- Co-editor, *Stockwoods Administrative and Regulatory Law Case Review* (2015-present)
- Instructor, Canadian Administrative Law, Osgoode Hall Law School’s Professional LLM program (2015-present)
- Adjunct Professor, Business Law, Wilfrid Laurier University’s School of Business and Economics (2012-2014)



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