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Bar Admission

Québec 2021

Law School

McGill University
Université de Sherbrooke

Practices

Litigation and Dispute Resolution
Public Law

Simon Bouthillier is an associate in the Litigation Group of the Montréal office.

Simon is consulted on complex or novel legal issues in several Canadian provinces. Versatile, he tackles major cases in civil and commercial litigation, public and constitutional law, professional liability, penal and regulatory offences, injunctions and extraordinary remedies, and class actions.

Appreciated for the quality of his work and his analyses, he has represented several clients before the Supreme Court of Canada in high profile cases. In 2023, he was selected by *Magazine Entreprendre* as one of the *100 excellent personalities in Quebec*.

Simon is known for his expertise in public and constitutional law. He has published academic articles and given several conferences in Canada and internationally on the division of powers, intergovernmental relations, charters of fundamental rights and language rights. His work has been cited in parliamentary committees and earned him the Ronald L. Watts Award from the International Association of Centers for Federal Studies in 2021. Simon has represented numerous clients before the Supreme Court of Canada in constitutional cases (Murray-Hall v. Quebec (Attorney General); Reference re: *First Nations, Inuit and Métis Children, Youth and Families Act*; Reference re: *Impact Assessment Act*; Attorney General of Canada v. Joseph Power; Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, et al. v. His Majesty the King, et al.; Commission des droits de la personne et des droits de la jeunesse v. Directrice de la protection de la jeunesse du CISSS de la Montérégie-Est).

Simon received his Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) from the University of Sherbrooke in 2018, and his Master of Laws (LL.M.) from McGill University in 2020. He also holds a Master of Business Administration (MBA).

He has been a member of the executive committee of the Canadian Bar Association's Constitutional Law Section since 2023.

Recent Experience

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