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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA

Christopher J. PIBUS
Dundas, ON
Canada



Nationality: Canadian

EDUCATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

LL.B., University of Toronto, Toronto, 1981;
M.A., University of Toronto, Toronto, 1980;
B.A., McGill University, Montreal, 1976;
Dip. Collegial Studies, John Abbott College, Montreal, 1973;

Barrister and Solicitor, Law Society of Ontario, 1983.

Academic Honours: University of Toronto, Faculty of Law

Martin Friedland Prize for Legal Writing, 1980;
Honours List, Faculty of Law, 1977 – 79;
Borden & Elliot Prize;
Fay Keen Prize;
J.S.D. Tory Fellowship;
Canada Law Book Prize for Civil Procedure.

LANGUAGES

English, French

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PRESENT POSITION

Independent Arbitrator.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE BEFORE PRESENT POSITION

Partner, Gowling WLG (Canada) LLP, Toronto Office, Intellectual Property Group 1990 – 2022;
Associate, Gowling WLG (Canada) LLP 1985 – 1990;
Associate, Lang Michener 1983 – 1985;
Lecturer McGill University/IPIC Trademarks Program 2008 – 2022;
Guest Lecturer, Intellectual Property Remedies, Osgoode Hall Law School.

AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION

Intellectual property litigation and portfolio management; licensing of intellectual property rights.

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL BODIES

Member, Law Society of Upper Canada;
Fellow, Intellectual Property Institute of Canada.

EXPERIENCE IN INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW AND ENTERTAINMENT LAW AND MEDIA LAW

Practice in intellectual property litigation and related matters since 1983, including trademark, patent, copyright and design issues. Extensive experience in strategic portfolio management for intellectual property assets in Canada and internationally. Broad exposure to all aspects of enforcement, including injunctions and Anton Piller Orders.

Copyright expertise related to print and broadcast media, film and music industries, including international licensing issues, and the management of international broadcasting and derivative rights.

EXPERIENCE WITH RESPECT TO DOMAIN NAMES

Strategic management of domain name portfolios for a number of Canadian businesses. Initiated and conducted domain name claims in various jurisdictions, through litigation and dispute resolution processes.

Domain name Panelist for WIPO since 2004. Panelist on more than 150 decisions.

MAJOR PUBLICATIONS

Since 1989, a variety of publications in journals and conference materials, including:

“Injunctions – Anton Piller Orders”, Chapter in *Intellectual Property Disputes: Resolutions & Remedies*, Thomson Carswell (2002) – (2022).

“Trademark Litigation Strategies”, McGill/IPIC Trademark Litigation Course, 2021 (revised).

“Trademark Injunctions Alive and Well in Canada’s Federal Court”, Lexology, 2015.

“No Rest for the Wicked: Infringing Mattress Slogan Leads to Injunction”, Lexology, 2017.

“Protecting Brands Online: Jurisdictional Comparisons”, Chapter on Canada, Russell & Maxwell (London) 2012.

“Counterfeit Enforcement in Canada: A Challenging Environment”, IP Crime Longness 2007.

“Private International Law Issues in Online Intellectual Property Infringement Disputes with Cross-Border Elements” Contributor WIPO 2015.

“Perplexing.ca”, *Trademark World*, (April 2004).

“Famous Trade-Marks in Canada: What Price Fame?”, Law Society of Upper Canada (2003).

“Federal Court Expunges Prominent Cigar Brands”, (1999) *Intellectual Property*, Volume V, No. 4, *Federated Press*.

“Anton Piller Orders and Summary and Default Judgment Proceedings”, Patent and Trademark Institute of Canada, 1997.

“Civil Remedies Under Bill C-32: An Act to Amend the Copyright Act”, *The Canadian Institute*, 1996.

EXPERIENCE IN COURT LITIGATION

Counsel, Federal Court of Canada (Trial Division and Court of Appeal), and Ontario Superior Court of Justice and Court of Appeal, and Trademark Opposition Board. Counsel of record in more than 70 reported intellectual property decisions in Canada. Recognized in WTR 1000 (World's Leading Trademark Professionals 2022), Lexpert Magazine, Chambers Global and Best Lawyers in Canada for intellectual property litigation.

EXPERIENCE IN MEDIATION

Participated in numerous mediations as counsel in court proceedings in various Canadian jurisdictions, including Federal Court of Canada, and Ontario Superior Court of Justice. Subject matter includes copyright infringement and licensing, trademark infringement; patent infringement; misleading advertising; competition claims.

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING IN ARBITRATION

WIPO Workshop for Arbitrators, Geneva, October 2003.

EXPERIENCE IN ARBITRATION

Acted as counsel in a variety of intellectual property, commercial and labour arbitrations, beginning in 1984. Wide range of subject matter, including software licensing, patent infringement, professional negligence, trademark infringement.

Arbitrator for Independent Film & Television Association beginning in 2009.
