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BIOGRAPHY

Grace is an associate and a member of the firm's Insurance practice group.

Grace's practice is focused on professional negligence, with a growing emphasis on defending construction, financial, and medical professionals. She also has experience handling complicated occupiers' liability and tavern liability cases.

Grace's prior experience makes her a well-rounded advocate. Grace started her career in plaintiff side personal injury, which gives her unique insight into handling difficult occupiers' liability and tavern liability files. She then practiced at a reputable international commercial and investment arbitration firm in Vienna, Austria, where she worked on complex multimillion-dollar construction disputes. This experience now assists Grace in her defence of construction professionals. Finally, before joining Alexander Holburn, Grace practiced at a boutique insurance defence firm. Her experience working with various insurer clients included providing guidance during the claim investigation phase, preparing coverage opinions, and defending claims until resolution. As a result, Grace sees "big picture" and appreciates the nuances that exist when making strategic decisions in the best interest of her clients.

Regardless of the nature of the file, Grace is a pragmatic and no-nonsense litigator dedicated to delivering results – whether in court or a settlement.

Grace has a passion for mentoring law students. In law school, Grace enjoyed competitive mooting. Notably, she received the Best Advocate award at an international moot in Sweden after achieving the highest individual score out of over 350 advocates worldwide. Now, she enjoys staying involved in the mooting community by volunteer judging

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EDUCATION

- 2019, University of Ottawa, Juris Doctor (cum laude)
- 2016, University of Ottawa, B. Soc. Sc. (magna cum laude)

BAR ADMISSIONS

- 2020, Admitted to the Bar of Ontario

PRACTICE AREAS

INSURANCE

- Construction + Engineering
 - Coverage Disputes
 - Environmental
 - Health
 - Occupiers Liability
 - Personal Injury
 - Professional Liability
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international moots and, when possible, she likes to volunteer her time to teach oral advocacy skills to law students.

ON A PERSONAL NOTE

Grace likes to stay active by playing volleyball, tennis, and is working on her golf swing. She is also forced to stay active thanks to her overly energetic dog, Ksana. Otherwise, Grace enjoys quality time over a home-cooked meal with family or friends.

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- *Ahmad Zaitoun et al. v Aviva Insurance Company et al.* (February 8, 2022), Windsor CV-20-28620 (ON SC)
- *Prozone Auto Collision v Aviva Insurance Company c/o Arlin Peixoto* (June 14, 2022), Brampton SC-21-1264 (ON SC)

PUBLICATIONS

- November 15, 2019, “Adding FLA Claims Beyond the Limitation Period”, *39th Annual CCLA Civil Litigation Conference*, Co-Author
- April 30, 2019, “Whether Multilateral Investment Court Awards Could Be Enforced Using the ICSID Convention, the New York Convention, and/or an Alternative Method”, *University of Ottawa TradeLab*, Co-Author

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Law Society of Ontario, Member
- The Advocates’ Society, Member
- Canadian Defence Lawyers, Member
- Canadian Bar Association, Member
- The Advocacy Club, Volunteer Instructor
- Foreign Direct Investment International Arbitration Moot, Arbitrator

INDUSTRIES

- Banking + Finance
 - Construction
 - Environmental
 - Health Care
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