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A sophisticated and business-minded litigator with deep market insight, Gillian guides clients through the legal and regulatory developments on matters ranging from securities litigation to class actions.

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Overview

Gillian is the co-head of the firm's securities defence practice. Her practice focuses on securities litigation and corporate disputes.

On the securities side of her practice, Gillian frequently acts for capital market participants in securities class actions, professional liability claims and regulatory investigations involving the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada, the Mutual Fund Dealers' Association and the Ontario Securities Commission. As a complement to her securities regulatory work, she advises financial institutions on investigations involving consumer protection matters.

Gillian also maintains an active commercial litigation practice, representing corporations in contested transaction matters, shareholder disputes, breach of contract claims and other business torts. She has appeared as counsel in all levels of court in Ontario, the Federal Court, the Federal Court of Appeal and the Yukon Court of Appeal.



Gillian has an impressive balance of analytical focus and practical judgement. She does an excellent job helping her clients understand the broader legal issues and which will likely bear the most fruit during the course of the litigation.'

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Featured Work

Canadian Coalition for Good Governance as an intervener in the Supreme Court of Canada case Lundin Mining Corporation, et al. v. Dov Markowich concerning the meaning of “material change” in the context of securities disclosure obligations

a Canadian insurance company in an action before the Ontario Superior Court alleging breach of contract in connection with a software development agreement for a new online trading platform

two underwriters in a proposed securities class action in Ontario alleging primary and secondary market misrepresentations by Wayland Group Corp. (formerly Maricann Group Inc.) concerning allegations of improper disclosures related to its expansion plans and pro forma growth potential, as well as in connection with Wayland's CCAA proceedings

a consortium of underwriters in a proposed securities class action in Ontario alleging primary and secondary market misrepresentations by CannTrust Holdings Inc. concerning allegations that it failed to disclose compliance issues related to the growth and storage of unlicensed cannabis plants

a Canadian Schedule I bank in a securities class action in Ontario alleging disclosure violations in connection with its exposure to the U.S. subprime mortgage market

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Recognition and Awards

2021-2026 *Chambers Canada*—Leading lawyer in litigation: general commercial (Ontario) and litigation: securities (Ontario)

2021-2025 *The Legal 500*—Leading partner in dispute resolution: Ontario

2023-2024 *Lexpert/American Lawyer's Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada*—Leading lawyer in securities litigation

2022-2024 *Benchmark Litigation*—Top 100 Women in Canadian Litigation

2020-2025 *Benchmark Canada: The Definitive Guide to Canada's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys*—Future Star and Litigation Star (class actions, commercial and securities)

2021-2026 *Best Lawyers in Canada*—Leading lawyer in corporate and commercial litigation and securities law

Insights

Administrative penalties issued by securities regulator do not survive bankruptcy discharge: Supreme Court of Canada

The Supreme Court's recent decision illustrates the importance of the "fresh start" principle for those undergoing bankruptcy proceedings.

[Retrospectively speaking: BC Court of Appeal clarifies scope of consumer protection amendments](#)

[Securities litigation in 2025: private and public enforcement developments](#)

[Climate disclosure at a crossroads: 2025 climate disclosure report](#)

[Supreme Court provides guidance on meaning of "material change" for securities disclosure](#)

[Securities litigation case comment: Binance Holdings Limited v. Ontario Securities Commission](#)

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News

***Chambers Canada* ranks 81% of Torys' Canadian partners in its 2026 guide**

We are pleased to share that 127 Torys lawyers and 40 practice areas have been recognized in this year's guide, including 16 Band 1 rankings.

23 Torys litigators recognized in the 2025 *Benchmark Litigation* guide

This recognition is a testament to our lawyers' considerable achievements and impact on the legal landscape.

Three Torys litigators named in *Benchmark Litigation's* 2024 Top 100 Women in Litigation guide

Congratulations to partners Gillian Dingle, Linda Plumpton and Sylvie Rodrigue, Ad. E. for this deserving recognition.

[176 Torys lawyers recognized in the 2026 Best Lawyers guide](#)

[Benchmark names four Torys litigators in its 2025 Top 100 Women in Litigation guide](#)

[How advisors can protect their practice during periods of market volatility](#)

Backlogs in Canada's civil legal system create challenges for businesses

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Professional Involvement

Before joining Torys, Gillian was senior in-house counsel at a Canadian financial institution.

Gillian sits on the Steering Committee of the OSC Litigation Assistance Program, which provides free legal assistance to unrepresented respondents to the OSC administrative proceedings.

In the community, she is a board member of Special Olympics Ontario, an organization that enriches the lives of Ontarians with an intellectual disability through sport. She also volunteers with Golden Future, an organization that performs outreach work with high school students in Khyelitsha township, South Africa.

Education and Bar Admissions

Education

LLM (James Kent Scholar), 2012

Columbia University

LLB (With Distinction), 2004

University of Western Ontario

BA (Honours), 2001

University of Waterloo

Bar Admissions

Ontario, 2005