

# Christopher Richter

**PARTNER** 

Christopher Richter's skilled advocacy in complex corporate and commercial disputes helps leading organizations advance their interests both in and outside the courtroom.

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#### Overview

Christopher is an experienced trial and appellate lawyer who practises in the fields of corporate, commercial and civil litigation and dispute resolution, including advising on litigious aspects of corporate transactions. His practice also includes class actions, securities litigation, professional liability, product liability and employment law. He has appeared before the Québec courts of first instance and of appeal, the superior courts of several other provinces, the Federal Court and Federal Court of Appeal, the Supreme Court of Canada, and numerous arbitration panels and administrative tribunals (including the Québec securities commission and energy board).

Leading Canadian and international companies prize Christopher's risk-analysis advice in litigious matters and conflict prevention regarding their interests and operations in Québec and across Canada. With recognized experience in transnational disputes and matters of private international law, Christopher has also acted as arbitrator in numerous disputes (sole arbitrator, or member or chair of a panel), both domestic and international (including ICC and ICDR arbitrations).

Christopher is fluently bilingual in English and French.



Christopher Richter has strong commercial instincts and delivers practical and timely advice taking into consideration the needs of his clients.

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## **Featured Work**

Certain former directors of Taiga Motors in a proposed class action in Québec on behalf of all security-holders of the company alleging inadequate disclosures and secondary market misrepresentation

Ticketmaster Entertainment (now Live Nation Entertainment) and related entities in class actions in Québec and Alberta concerning violations to the Competition Act and consumer protection legislation in connection with the disclosure of fees and other amounts charged in connection with primary and secondary market ticket sales

<u>Ticketmaster Canada and related entities in a proposed consumer protection class action in Québec alleging that</u> fees charged to consumers are excessive or disproportionate

Ticketmaster Canada and related entities in a proposed consumer protection class action in Québec regarding the disclosure of the currency of the price of tickets to events in the United States

<u>Ticketmaster Canada and related entities in a proposed class action in Québec alleging false or misleading</u> representations in the description of certain event tickets

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## **Recognition and Awards**

2024	Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America
2016-2025	Chambers Canada—Leading lawyer in litigation: general commercial (Québec)
2019-2025	The Legal 500—Leading partner in dispute resolution: Québec
2018-2024	Benchmark Canada: The Definitive Guide to Canada's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys—Litigation Star (commercial, class actions, securities and arbitration)
2015-2025	Best Lawyers in Canada—Leading lawyer in alternative dispute resolution, class action litigation and corporate and commercial litigation
2018-2023	The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory—Leading lawyer in commercial arbitration, corporate commercial litigation and securities litigation
2020	Best Lawyers in Canada—Alternative Dispute Resolution Lawyer of the Year in Montréal

2018	Lexpert/Thomson Reuters' Guide to the Leading U.S./Canada Cross-Border Corporate Lawyers in Canada—Most frequently recommended in dispute resolution
2017	Best Lawyers in Canada—Class Action Litigation Lawyer of the Year in Montréal

# **Insights**

#### Spotlight on Québec law: Litigation hotspots

In this video, we discuss trends in contractual disputes, regulatory proceedings and class actions.

Les 10 décisions de l'année 2024 essentielles pour les conseillers et conseillères d'entreprise au Québec

Securities class action risk arising from environmental and climate-related disclosures

Consumer protection class actions: the rise of the ESG claim

Spotlight on Québec law: Securities class actions

The Advocates' Society: Symposium on Trial Advocacy Techniques

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## News

#### 81% of Torys' Canadian partners ranked by Chambers Canada

We are pleased to share that 130 Torys partners and 38 of our practice areas have been recognized in this year's guide, including 15 Band 1 rankings.

### Litigation trends remain steady in Québec

Read partner Christopher Richter's comments in *Lexpert*'s SE on Litigation magazine for insight on what he's been seeing in the Québec market.

179 Torys lawyers recognized in the 2025 Best Lawyers guide

Legal disturbances to a commercial lease

Christopher Richter on Québec ruling in Franchise MTY inc. v. Lechter

161 Torys lawyers named in the 2024 Best Lawyers guide

Courts take stricter approach in class action authorization stage

### **Professional Involvement**

Christopher taught civil procedure at both McGill University and the Université de Montréal. Active for many years in the Canadian Bar Association, he was Québec branch chair of the International Law Section and chair of the Business Dispute Resolution Committee of the National ILS. He was also the secretary of the Consumer Litigation Committee of the International Bar Association.

Christopher is a current member of The Advocates' Society, The London Court of International Arbitration, the International Centre for Dispute Resolution and the ICC Canada Arbitration Committee. He is also the past President of the University Club of Montreal.

### **Education and Bar Admissions**

#### Education

LLB/BCL, 1995 McGill University

BA, 1990 University of Toronto

#### **Bar Admissions**

Québec, 1996 Ontario, 1999

British Columbia, 2014