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Industries & Expertise

INDUSTRIES

Health

EXPERTISE

Insurance Defence | Lloyd's of London |
Administrative & Public Law

Biography

BAR ADMISSION

Ontario, 2001

EDUCATION

- LL.B., Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, 1999
- M.Sc. (environmental studies), York University, 1999
- B.A. (political science), University of Vermont, 1994

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English

Lisa Spiegel has an advocacy practice with proficiency in servicing the health industry. Renowned as a trusted advisor to health industry clients on a broad range of intricate legal matters, her practice includes the defence

of health professionals, hospital privileging and medical staff issues, and medico-legal defence. With a rich background in health litigation, including navigating complex misconduct cases, Lisa is a seasoned representative in courts and tribunals, offering practical and responsive legal advice.

Lisa's robust presence in academic forums, including her instructor roles at Osgoode Hall Law School as both a co-teacher of its Professional Governance in the Professional LLM Health Law program and an instructor in its Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop, underscores her passion for spreading legal knowledge while offering valuable insights in professional regulation courses. Lisa's dedication and deep knowledge position her as a trusted legal ally in the realm of health law.

A proud member of the Law Society of Ontario, The Advocates' Society and the Medico-Legal Society of Toronto among others, Lisa's professional affiliations reflect her commitment to legal excellence and education. She has been recognized by The Best Lawyers in Canada for her prowess in multiple legal domains, including administrative law and health law. Lisa also contributes as a facilitator in legal education programs, including through the Advocates' Society, supporting her dedication to continuous learning and development in the legal sphere.

Industry involvement

Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in Canada* – Health Care Law, 2021-2025; Administrative and Public Law, 2022-2025; Corporate and Commercial Litigation, 2024-2025
- Continuing Legal Education Facilitator, Prosecutors' Network, The Advocates' Society

Thought leadership

Faculty Experience

- Guest Instructor, Osgoode Hall Law School Intensive Trial Advocacy Workshop (ITAW)
- Co-instructor, "Health Professional Regulation" course, Osgoode Hall's LLM Professional Program, February – April 2021; February 2023

Presentations

- Coffee Talk Presentation, "Managing Complaints in the #MeToo Era", February 27, 2019
- Co-presenter, "Legal / Malpractice Trends in Perinatal Care and How they can be Mitigated", 31st Annual Perinatal Outreach Conference, September 26, 2018
- Presenter, "CPSO Effective Referral Policy: The court challenge and its implication", Medico-Legal Society of Toronto, September 12, 2018

- Coffee Talk Presentation, “What Directors Need to Know – Physicians and Other Professional Staff Issues”, November 23, 2017
- Coffee Talk Presentation, “Vicarious Liability: When is a Health Care Facility Responsible for Health Care Providers Providing Care?”, presented with Lauren Parrish, November 15, 2017
- Moderator, “Medical Marijuana: The New Regulatory Landscape in Canada” Presentation, Council on Licensure, Enforcement & Regulation Annual Educational Conference, September 15, 2017
- Coffee Talk Presentation, “What to Do When There Is a College Complaint”, March 22, 2017
- Thrive and Survive Seminar, “Optometrists’ Responsibilities for the Actions of Others,” May 30, 2016
- Coffee Talk Presentation, “Reporting and Investigations,” May 18, 2016
- Miller Thomson LLP – Directors’ Series “Managing Complaints in the #MeToo Era” presented by K Frelick and L Spiegel, May 16, 2019
- Coffee Talk Presentation, “Health Industry Seminar Series – Managing Privileging and Resource Allocation amid COVID-19”, May 1, 2020
- Coffee Talk Presentation, “Health Industry Seminar Series- Back to Basics: Professional Staff Credentialing: Roles and Responsibilities” June 22, 2022

Publications

- “Court of Appeal Confirms that Physicians are Statute-Barred from Claiming for Damages Arising from Hospital Decision to Cease Providing a Service”, Health Communiqué, November 15, 2018
- “Court Affirms Physician Requirements to Provide Effective Referrals for MAID”, Health Communiqué, May 9, 2018
- “Stakeholder Consultation on Regulatory Changes to Expand CPSO Oversight of Fertility Services”, Health Communiqué, March 15, 2017
- “Bill 87, the *Protecting Patients Act, 2016*, Proposes Amendments to the Sexual Abuse Provisions in the *Regulated Health Professions Act*”, Health Communiqué, February 7, 2017
- “Disruptive Behaviour By Physicians: Further Perspectives on an Old Issue”, Health Communiqué, November 14, 2016
- “Minister of Health and Long-Term Care Promises Legislative Changes Relating to Sexual Abuse”, Health Communiqué, September 13, 2016
- “Anticipated Overhaul of Quality Oversight to Non-Hospital Medical Clinics,” Health Communiqué, May 13, 2016
- “What Health Industry Clients Need to Know in Relation to Bill C-14 on Medical Assistance in Dying,” Health Communiqué, April 14, 2016
- *Directors’ Series “Managing Complaints in the #MeToo Era”*, Miller Thomson LLP ,presented by K Frelick and L Spiegel, May 16, 2019
- “Hospital considerations for professional staff privileging amid COVID-19,” Health Communiqué, April 2, 2020

- “COVID-19 efforts shift to the protection of seniors and vulnerable persons” Health Communiqué, April 23, 2020
- “New emergency order directed at hospital credentialing processes” Health Communiqué, May 7, 2020
- “CPSO cautions doctor for “irresponsible” COVID-19 tweets” Health Communiqué, March 11, 2021
- “Ontario’s Divisional Court supports the revocation of a physician’s privileges where the physician’s conduct undermined hospital policies and processes” Health Communiqué, September 7, 2022

Notable matters

- *Sherwani v. Fargher*, 2023 ONSC20 (CanLII)
- *Shukla v. Board of Directors, Health Sciences North*, 2022 ONSC 7141 (CanLII)
- *Lieberman v. College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario* [2013] O.J. No. 2717 (Div. Ct.)
- *Yazdanfar v. College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario* [2012] O.J. No. 2392 (Div. Ct.)
- *Gore v. College of Physicians and Surgeons of Ontario* [2009] O. J. No. 2833 (O.C.A.)

Memberships & affiliations

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- Canadian Bar Association
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- The Advocates’ Society
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