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## **Industries & Expertise**

INDUSTRIES Social Impact **EXPERTISE** Charities & Not-for-Profit

# Biography

**BAR ADMISSION** Ontario, 1985

#### EDUCATION

- Completed Canadian Institute for Chartered Accountants Indepth Tax Course, January, 1991
- L.L.B., Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, 1983
- Queen's University, 1978-80

#### LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English

Susan Manwaring is a recognized leading expert advising social enterprises, charities and non-profits in her practice. Susan provides both general counsel and specialized tax advice to her clients across Canada and internationally. Susan is the Leader Miller Thomson's Social Impact Group.



## Industry involvement

## Recognition

- The Best Lawyers in Canada Charities/Non-Profit Law, 2019 2024; Trusts and Estates, 2008 2024
- Chambers Canada, Charities/Non-Profits, 2018 2024
- Recognized as a Thomson Reuters Stand-out lawyer, 2023-2024
- The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory Charities/Not-for-Profit Law, 2006 2024
- 2021 Recipient of the Jane Burke-Robertson Award, CBA Charity Law Online Symposium
- Lexpert Zenith Award, Change Agents in Law, 2019
- 2010 Winner of the Ontario Bar Association's AMS/John Hodgson Award for her exceptional contribution to and achievements in the practice of law in the charities and not-for-profit sector
- 2010 Friend of the Canadian Association of Gift Planners for her exemplary vision, talent, dedication and contributions to the CAGP-ACPDP, as well as to gift planning in Canada and to the betterment of society as a whole

## **Thought leadership**

- Appointed to Government of Canada's Advisory Committee on the Charitable Sector, August 2019 August 2021
- Appeared before the Senate Special Committee on the Charitable Sector to present on legal and regulatory challenges faced by charities and nonprofit organizations, April 8, 2019
- Appointed as part of the External Advisory Committee for the Partnership for Gender Equality, December 2018
- Appeared before the Senate Special Committee on the Charitable Sector to present on impact of public policy on charities and non-profit organizations, and of the voluntary sector, December 10, 2018
- Appeared before Senate Standing Committee on National Finance to present on Bill C-86, Budget Implementation Act, 2018, No. 2 and non partisan activities of charities, November 28, 2018
- Appeared before the Senate Special Committee on the Charitable Sector to present on the funding of the charitable sector with a focus on new sources of funding including social finance/enterprise and hybrid organizations, September 18, 2018
- Susan Manwaring named to federal panel examining charities' political activities. More, September 27, 2016
- Liberal Government Increases Top Tax Rates and Adjusts the Charitable Tax Credit at the Same Time!, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, February 3, 2016
- CRA Says There's "Substantial Compliance" As Political Activities Audit Program Winds Down, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, January 25, 2016



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- Deadline for Proposals to Participate in Social Finance Accelerator Initiative July 17, 2015, Charities and Notfor-Profit Newsletter, June 24, 2015
- CRA and the Political Activities Audits An Update, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, January 30, 2015
- Canada weighs in on Social Impact Investing: Highlights from the Report of the National Advisory Committee, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, September 2014
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- Social Impact Bond Launched in Saskatchewan, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, May 2014
- U. K. Government Announces Tax Relief for Social Investment, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, March 2014
- Announcing The Pemsel Case Foundation, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, January 2014
- Canada's Anti-spam Law (CASL) is coming into force on July 1, 2014 Some suggestions for compliance preparation, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, December 2013
- CRA Announces Application Process for Organizations Wanting to be Recognized as Qualified Donees, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, July 2013
- Prescient Foundation v. M.N.R., Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, May 2013
- What's Happening, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, April 2013
- Charities and Political Activities, Miller Thomson Charities Law Update seminar, 2013
- Federal Budget Review, 2013
- Report of the Standing Committee on Finance Tax Incentives for Charitable Giving in Canada, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, February 2013
- CRA Unveils New T3010 E(13), Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, January 2013
- Court Finds Fundraiser Guilty of Fraud, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, October 2012
- CRA Releases Updated Guidance on Community Economic Development: Expands Acceptable Program Related Investments, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, August 2012
- BC Legislative Assembly Introduces New Community Contribution Company, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, April 2012
- Social Enterprise in Canada, The 2012 Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada, 2012



- 2011 Federal Budget: Provisions Regarding Charities and Other Qualified Donees, Charity Talk, Canadian Bar Association, 2011
- Federal Budget Changes the Rules Related to Donations of Publicly Listed Flow-Through Shares, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, March 2011
- New Canadian Audit Standards: Things You Need to Know for Planning Your Audit and Meetings Approving Financial Statements, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, February 2011
- The State of Social Enterprise in Canada, Horizons Innovative Communities: Agents of Change, 2011
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- Breaking Down the Borders Operating Charitable or Tax Exempt Organizations Across the Canada/US Border, The 2011 Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada, 2010
- Charity Employee Compensation Bill C-470 Update Salary Cap Dropped, Disclosure Remains, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, December 2010
- Canadian Task Force on Social Finance Releases its Report, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, December 2010
- Department of Finance Releases Draft Legislation on Disbursement Quota Changes, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, September 2010
- Life Insurance Potentially More Attractive to Donors, 2010 Canadian Donor's Guide, 2010
- Canadian Government to Match Donations by Individuals to Pakistan, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, August 2010
- Ontario Announces New Initiative with Not-for-Profit Sector, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, June 2010
- The Ontario Government Steps Up to the Plate: Bill 65 *An Act to Revise the Law in Respect of Not-For-Profit Corporations*, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, May 2010
- Gifting New and In-force Insurance Policies to Charities Issues That a Charity Must Take Into Consideration, 2010
- Budget 2010 Significantly Reduces Disbursement Quota Obligations for Charities, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, March 2010
- Budget 2010: Some Changes Will Have to Wait, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, March 2010
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- Ontario's Good Governance Act Includes Positive Changes for Charities, Charity Talk, Canadian Bar Association, 2010
- CRA's Not-For-Profit Administrative Policy Revisited, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, January 2010
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- Guidance Released by The Canada Revenue Agency Charities Directorate on Fundraising by Registered Charities, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, July 2009
- CRA's Policies/Guidelines Research, Sports, Volunteer Expenses, and Registration, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, May 2009
- National Charity Law Symposium, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, April 2009
- Budget 2009- Disappointment for the Voluntary Sector, Charities and Not-for-Profit Newsletter, January 2009
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- A New Capital Gains Rollover A Small Business Investment Incentive, Tax Notes, Spring 2000
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### **Memberships & affiliations**

- Canadian Tax Foundation
- Canadian Association of Gift Planners
- Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners; TEP Designation
- Technical Advisory Committee of the Canada Revenue Agency Charities Directorate
- Director, The Pemsel Case Foundation
- Co-Editor, The Philanthropist



- Member, Imagine Canada's Sector Pulse
- Past Member, Risk Management and Governance Board's Not-For-Profit Organizations Task Force (Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants)
- Past National Chair and Executive Member, Canadian Bar Association, Charities & Not-for-Profit Section
- Past Chair, Canadian Association of Gift Planners Government Relations Committee
- Past Chair, Ontario Bar Association, Charities & Not-For-Profit Section Executive