## Best Lawyers Press Release

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## Best Lawyers Announces the 2023 editions of *The Best Lawyers in Canada*<sup>™</sup> and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada*<sup>™</sup>

AUGUSTA, Ga., 25 August, 2022 – <u>Best Lawyers®</u> announces the release of the 2023 editions of *The Best Lawyers in Canada™* and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada™* which honour the professional accomplishments of the top legal talent in the country who were selected by their peers through Best Lawyers' tailored voting process.

"We are delighted to present the 2023 recognitions for Canada and congratulate the exceptionally talented lawyers awarded," said Best Lawyers CEO Phillip Greer. "We expanded our Best Lawyers recognitions into Canada 16 years ago, and last year, we furthered our mission to provide reliable and unbiased resources to identify the top legal talent professionals with our 'Ones to Watch' honours. It is our privilege to continue our globally respected purely peer-review methodology for lawyers at every level in their career through these recognitions."

Best Lawyers believes the quality of our survey directly relates to the caliber of voters, so only lawyers who were previously recognized by Best Lawyers were invited to review their constituents for the 2023 recognitions. Best Lawyers analyzed more than 1.6 million evaluations resulting in the recognition of only 5.2% of lawyers in Canada.

The 17<sup>th</sup> edition of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* also includes "Law Firm of the Year" awards. These firm-wide awards are specific to a country and practice area, and they are factored by lawyer feedback and case matters as well as firm size, scope and coverage. 34 "Law Firm of the Year" recognitions were bestowed to 29 firms. Firms that were awarded multiple "Law Firm of the Year" accolades include Blake, Cassels & Graydon, Davies Ward Phillips & Vineberg, McCarthy Tétrault, Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt and Stockwoods.

Another specialty distinction presented in this release is "Lawyer of the Year" commendations. This highly coveted honour is only bestowed on one lawyer per practice area in each region with the highest overall feedback from their peers. Only the top 0.3% of lawyers earned this exceptional distinguishment in the 2023 edition.

Using the same <u>transparent methodology</u> and survey process that has made Best Lawyers the gold standard for legal rankings worldwide, Best Lawyers honours <u>lawyers earlier in their careers</u> via the *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada* awards. In the third edition of *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada*, fewer than 800 lawyers were selected by their peers to be included and commended for their outstanding legal talent.

To view the honourees included in the 2023 editions of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada*, please visit <u>www.bestlawyers.com</u>.

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