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Featured Area of Practice: Insurance Defence

Other Areas of Practice: Education Law, Immigration, Corporate Immigration

Maya obtained her Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Toronto where she majored in Philosophy/Bioethics. She received her LL.B. in 2007 from the University of Ottawa and was called to the bar in 2008. She began her practice of law at a prominent boutique defence firm in Hamilton and joined Devry Smith Frank LLP in 2009, where she is a partner.

In her years at DSF, Maya has ardently represented insurers in the defence of personal injury and accident benefits claims and has brought and defended priority dispute and loss transfer proceedings on behalf of insurers. Maya is committed to providing creative and thoughtful arguments for her clients that will lead to a strong foundation at trial or early resolution of claims where possible.

Maya's practice has consisted of varied cases including fatalities, brain injuries, paralysis and serious injuries to minors. She has worked earnestly in complex files to gather and sift through evidence in an effort to clarify and simplify an otherwise complicated process.

Maya has represented insurers at pre-trial and private mediations and has conducted private arbitrations including appeals of private arbitration decisions.

Maya prides herself on consistent communication with clients by phone calls, in person meetings, and written reports. She believes in the importance of a client's involvement at all stages of litigation and reaches out to clients regularly.

Beyond insurance defence, Maya also has a busy immigration and education law practice, including representing children from low income families on a pro bono basis.

Outside of her day to day practice, Maya serves on the firm's articling and summer student committee and devotes time on a pro bono basis to children from low income families requiring representation in the education system.

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