

James Boyd Lawyer - Class Actions

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James is an associate lawyer in the class actions department. His practice is focused on class action litigation, including medical and product liability class actions.

Education

Juris Doctor, with Distinction, Western University (2018)

Bachelor of Arts, with Honours, Toronto Metropolitan University (2009)

Called to the Bar in Ontario, 2019; British Columbia, 2022

About

James is an associate lawyer in the class actions department. His practice is focused on class action litigation, including complex product liability and medical class actions. He summered and articled with Siskinds prior to his call to the Bar in 2019.

James received his J.D. from Western University, where he was the recipient of numerous awards including the A.B. Siskind Scholarship for achieving the highest standing in the third year of the J.D. program. He was also part of two national championship-winning oral advocacy teams. He received the First Place Oralist award at the 2017 Willms & Shier Environmental Law Moot from a panel led by Supreme Court of Canada Justice Malcolm Rowe, and he coached Western to victory at the 2018 Warren K. Winkler Class Actions Moot.

In addition to maintaining a full-time litigation practice, in recent years James has served as an adjunct for Western University's Faculty of Law, where he has been coaching Western Law students representing the school at various national moot competitions including at the Class Actions Moot and the Environmental Law Moot. Currently, James is the coach for Western's participants in the Laskin Moot, which is Canada's national administrative and constitutional law moot and the only national moot argued in both English and French.

Prior to pursuing a legal career, James owned and operated a corporate video production company in Toronto for five years, worked in the finance division of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada, and spent a year teaching English to 6th graders in Kuwait. He is a proud parent of two girls.



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Memberships and Associations

- •Law Society of British Columbia, Member
- · Law Society of Ontario, Member
- Middlesex Law Association, Member

Other Languages

French

Publication and Speaking

- "Collateral Benefits: Defending the Causal Rationale" (2018), University of Toronto Faculty of Law Review (76 UT Fac L Rev 92)
- "A Statutory Solution to Ontario's Environmental Class Action Problem: Section 99(2) of the Environmental Protection Act" (2019), Canadian Class Action Review (14:2 Can Class Action Rev 421)

Community Involvement

Western University - Faculty of Law, Lecturer London Youth Advisory Council, former Board Director