

ERIN J. RUNNALLS, KC

EDUCATION

Juris Doctor

2004-2007 **University of Toronto, Faculty of Law** Toronto, ON

Honours Bachelor of Arts with Distinction

Political Studies Major and Development Studies Minor

2001-2004 **Queen's University** Kingston, ON

2000-2001 **Queen's International Study Centre** Herstmonceux, U.K.

WORK EXPERIENCE

2008-Current Partner (Litigation), **Gowling WLG (Canada) LLP** Calgary, AB

2007-2008 Clerkship, **Alberta Court of Queen's Bench** Edmonton, AB

2005 & 2006 Summer Student, **Code Hunter LLP** Calgary, AB

2006 **University of Toronto, Faculty of Law** Cape Town, South Africa

International Human Rights Internship

VOLUNTEER AND BOARD EXPERIENCE

2015-Current **Law Society of Alberta**

- Bencher (2023-Current)
- Executive Committee (2026-Current)
- Chair of the Policy and Regulatory Reform Committee (Member 2024-Current, Chair 2026-Current)
- Chair of Complaint Dismissal Appeal Working Group (2024-Current)
- Vice Chair of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion Committee (2023-2025, Vice Chair 2025)
- Conduct Committee (2021-Current)
- Practice Review Committee (2018-2020)
- Credentials and Education Committee (2015-2017)

2016-2025 Advisory Board Member, **University of Calgary, Faculty of Law, Public Interest Law Clinic**

2023-2025 Board Member, **Alberta Lawyers' Assistance Society (ASSIST)**

2019-2026 Co-Chair, **Gowling WLG Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee**

2010-2023 Chair, **Gowling WLG Recruitment Committee**

2021-2026 Vice Chair, **Banff Trail School Council and Fundraising Society Board**

2016-2020 Vice Chair, **Campus Preschool Society of Alberta Board**

2009-Current Judge, **William McGillivray Moot and Health Law Moot**

2004-2007 **University of Toronto, Faculty of Law** Toronto, ON

International Human Rights Working Groups

- Children's Rights Working Group Coordinator (2005-2007)
- Human Rights in Focus: Photo Exhibit and Auction Coordinator and Photographer (2007)
- African Governance Working Group Researcher (2004-2005)
- HIV/AIDS Working Group Volunteer (2004-2005)

PRO BONO EXPERIENCE

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| 2011-2025 | Chair, Gowling Calgary Pro Bono Committee |
| | • Founder of the King's Bench Amicus Project and Civil Claims Duty Counsel Project with Pro Bono Law Alberta and of the Immigration Law Clinic Project with Calgary Legal Guidance and the Center for Newcomers |
| 2013-Current | Coordinator and Volunteer, King's Bench Amicus Project |
| 2011-Current | Coordinator and Volunteer, Civil Claims Duty Counsel Project |
| 2012-2017 | Coordinator and Volunteer, Immigration Law Clinic Project |
| 2011-Current | Pro Bono Law Alberta – Volunteer Lawyer |
| 2008-2017 | Volunteer Lawyer, Calgary Legal Guidance |

AWARDS

- 2027 Best Lawyers in Canada, Corporate and Commercial Litigation, Health Care Law, Medical Negligence
- National Pro Bono Award – Professional Nominee for the 2026 Pro Bono Awards (Nov 2026)
- Lexpert Special Edition 2022: Litigation – Lawyer to Watch
- Lexpert Rising Stars 2021, Leading Lawyer Under 40
- Pro Bono Law Alberta, Distinguished Service Award – Pro Bono Service 2016
- Law Society of Alberta and Canadian Bar Association, Distinguished Service Award – Pro Bono Service 2013
- University of Toronto, Faculty of Law Dean's Honour List: 2005-2007
- University of Toronto, Faculty of Law Ting Sum Tang Memorial Prize in International Human Rights Law (2006)
- Queen's Highest Standing in Political Studies – Wallace Near Prize (2001-2002) / Chancellor Dunning Scholarship (2002-2003)
- Queen's University Dean's Honour List with Distinction ~ Top Three Percentile: 2001-2003
- Queen's University Dean's Special Award: 2001-2003

PUBLICATIONS

- The Honourable Justice Mary Moreau and Erin Runnalls, "The Impact of the *Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms* on Basic Aspects of Human Existence – A Retrospective" International Association of Judges Journal, 2008

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Canadian Bar Association Member, various branches
- Calgary Bar Association Member
- Canadian Media Lawyers Association (2021-Current)
- Bylaws Pro Bono Project – CUPS Calgary, AWSN Alberta Women's Science Network, etc.
- Children's Legal Rights, United Nations Elementary School Presentations across Calgary
- Amnesty International Volunteer – University of Toronto, Faculty of Law Branch
- Downtown Legal Services, Legal Clinic Volunteer – Immigration and Refugee Division
- Co-drafted the "Information and Communication Technologies (ICT) Charter of Rights and Freedoms" and presented it at the United Nations World Summit on the Information Society – Tunis, Tunisia (November 2005)
- Kawaskimhon Aboriginal Rights Moot (2007)
- Indigenous Law Journal Associate Editor (2005-2006)
- Journal of Law and Equality Associate Editor (2004-2005)