

# JOHN A. KEEFE CURRICULUM VITAE

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**Present** Arbitration Place

Previously Partner, Goodmans LLP

Engaged in all aspects of commercial litigation, commercial arbitration and

appearances before administrative tribunals

**Education** 

1971 B.A. University of Toronto

(Economics)

1974 LL.B University of Toronto

Faculty of Law

April 1976 Called to the Ontario Bar

# ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION TRAINING

1985 Harvard University

Program on Negotiation

1996 Harvard University

Mediation Workshop

(Through the Advocates' Society)

2018 Harvard University

**Negotiation Masterclass** 

# PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

University of Toronto Governing Council – Discipline Tribunal – 1992-2016 The Advocates' Society – Past Director International Chamber of Commerce – Canadian Arbitration Committee International Bar Association – Past Secretary Section on Business Crime Arbitration and Mediation Institute – Past Director

# **TEACHING**

1982 – 1995 University of Toronto, Faculty of Law, Instructor, Trial Advocacy

#### PRINCIPAL AREAS OF PRACTICE

# 1. COMMERCIAL ARBITRATION AND MEDIATION

Have acted as counsel and as arbitrator in numerous domestic and international commercial arbitrations, including arbitrations under the rules of the International Chamber of Commerce, the London Court of International Arbitration, the *Ontario and British Columbia International Arbitration Acts* and the *Canada Arbitration Act*. Also, a member of the steering committee that established a pilot project of the Bench and Bar for mandatory mediation for all civil cases in Ontario.

# 2. CORPORATE COMMERCIAL LITIGATION AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Have acted as counsel in numerous corporate disputes, usually involving some element of dishonesty or breach of fiduciary duties including shareholder disputes, proxy contests and oppression remedies.

# 3. SECURITIES LITIGATION, BUSINESS CRIME AND UNETHICAL CONDUCT

Have been involved in numerous matters relating to business crime and unethical conduct including corporate governance issues, internal investigations, employee dishonesty, conflict of interest, theft of trade secrets, money laundering, bribery of foreign officials and sexual harassment. Have acted as counsel to boards, audit committees and special committees to investigate allegations of corporate misconduct and conflict of interest. Past Secretary of the Section on Business Crime of the International Bar Association.

#### 4. PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

Regularly recognized as a leading practitioner in the areas of commercial litigation, commercial arbitration and securities litigation in the Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory, the Lexpert/American Lawyer Media Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada, The Lexpert Special Edition on Canada's Leading Litigation Lawyers, The Lexpert Guide to the Leading US/Canada Cross-border Litigation Lawyers, Chambers Global Guide to the World's Leading Lawyers for Business, to Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business, Woodward/White's The Best Lawyers in Canada, Who's Who Legal and Euromoney's Guide to the World's Leading Litigation Lawyers and Experts in Commercial Arbitration.