

CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

1974 to 1978 **OSGOODE HALL LAW SCHOOL**
Toronto, Ontario
Earned L.L.B.

1970 to 1974 **QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY**
Kingston, Ontario
Earned B.A.(Hons)

EXPERIENCE

1980 to Present **HILLIER & HILLIER**, Barristers & Solicitors
165 Main Street North, Brampton, Ontario, L6X 1N1
Partner in Law Practice since 1980
Specializing in Personal Injury Litigation

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

2007 to Present **THE ADVOCATES SOCIETY**
Member of The Advocates Society Board of Directors

1990 to Present **ONTARIO TRIAL LAWYERS' ASSOCIATION**
Founding Member and Director; Chairman of the 1995 OTLA
Conference on Chronic Pain; Vice President 1997 to 2000

1989 to Present **THE ADVOCATE'S SOCIETY**
Member

1985 to Present **THE MEDICO-LEGAL SOCIETY**
Member

1984 to Present **AMERICAN TRIAL LAWYERS' ASSOCIATION (ATLA)**
Member

1982 to Present **PEEL LAW ASSOCIATION**
Member

1994 to 1996 **ONTARIO LEGAL AID COMMITTEE**
Member, Appeals Division

1991 to 2000 Lecturer at **Queen's University Law School** on Civil Litigation and

Evidence

1993 to Present Annual Lecturer at **Peel Women's Association**

1985 to Present Annual Lecturer Peel Board of Education and Peel Separate School Board

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

Author of numerous papers for the Canadian Bar Association, Ontario Trial Lawyers Association, The Law Society of Upper Canada and The Canadian Institute. Presenter and lecturer for The Ontario Trial Lawyers Association, The Advocates' Society, The Medico-Legal Society and Ontario Bar Association.

May 2008 **New Cases You Need to Know**
The Liability Toolbox II presented by Ontario Trial Lawyers Association

April 2008 **Damages Assessment: The Times they are a Changing**
Panel Speaker, Special Lectures on Personal Injury Law presented by The Law Society of Upper Canada

January 2008 **Damages Assessment Panel**
Panel Speaker, 2008 Insurance Law Seminar presented by Dutton Brock LLP

September 2007 **Does Private Mediation Add Value to the MVA Litigation Process?**
Panel Speaker, Advanced Forum on Motor Vehicle Accident Litigation, Latest Development & Trends in Advancing & Defending First Party and Liability Claims, presented by The Canadian Institute

May 2007 **How to Deal with Harmful Clinical Notes & Records and Use them to Build Your Case**
Presented by Ontario Trial Lawyers Association

March 2007 **Retaining Experts: When, Who and How**
Presented by Ontario Trial Lawyers Association: Young Lawyers Division

April 2006 **When Counsel Should Open & Use of Exhibits/Demonstrative Aids in Opening**
Panel Speaker, Special Litigation Skills Certificate Program: Jury Advocacy presented by the Advocates Society

March 2006 **Planning Effective Cross-Examination of the Defence Expert**

February 2006 **Client Management Tips**
Presented by the Ontario Bar Association

- April 2003 **Ten Most Important Malpractice Cases in One – An Analysis of *Crawford v Penney***
Presented by Ontario Trial Lawyers Association
- October 2000 **The Neuropsychologist: Examination in Chief and Cross-Examination**
Winning Strategies for Neurotrauma presented by Ontario Trial Lawyers Association
- May 1999 **Demonstrative Evidence**
Winning Strategies for Proving Damages in the Non-Catastrophic Case - a Road Map to Success presented by Ontario Trial Lawyers Association
- May 1998 **Bill 59 Update**
Winning Strategies for Litigating Trauma in Brain Injury Claims presented by Ontario Trial Lawyers Association
- November 1997 **A Tortious (and Torturous) Year in Review**
Winning Strategies for Targeting Non-Protected Defendants presented by Ontario Trial Lawyers Association
- February 1997 **Participant - Examination in Chief of a Plaintiff**
Carnival is Alive with Litigators presented by Alberta Civil Trial Lawyers Association, Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia, Ontario Trial Lawyers Association and Canadian Trial Lawyers Association
- June 1996 **How to Make a Small Case Big**
Winning Strategies for Litigators presented by Ontario Trial Lawyers Association
- May 1996 **Panel Member - Practice Development, Client Management & Case Selection**
Developing a Personal Injury Practice: Capitalizing on Expanding Opportunities presented by the Department of Continuing Legal Education, Law Society of Upper Canada
- October 1995 **Production and Discovery Checklists in a Slip and Fall Case**
Winning Strategies for Chronic Pain presented by Ontario Trial Lawyers Association