

M I C H A E L A . S M I T H

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PERSONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS AND AWARDS

- Member of the 2000 Canadian World Wrestling Team – Tokyo, Japan
- Recipient of the 1999 A.J. Christie Prize – Outstanding Trial and Advocacy
- **Alternate - 1996 Canadian Olympic Wrestling Team**

SPECIAL SKILLS

- **Fluent in French - Canadian Bilingual Certificate**
- Extensive experience in public speaking
- Comprehensive Problems Solving/Strategizing Skills
- Computer Skills – WordPerfect, Word and Standard Word processing

EDUCATION

*Sept. 1997 - May 2000 - **University of Manitoba**, Winnipeg, MB*
Bachelor of Laws(LL.B.)

*Sept. 1992 - Jun 1996 - **University of Western Ontario**, London, ON*
Honours Bachelor of Arts Degree – Sociology

LEGAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

*Mar. 2002 - present – **Legal Counsel***, Langevin Morris Smith LLP, Ottawa, ON
Conduct hearings and litigate legal issues at the Provincial, Superior and Appeal Courts
Advise and represent clients on Criminal, Civil and Sport related legal matters

*Sep. 2003 - present - **Sessional Instructor***, Carleton University, Ottawa, ON
Prepare lecture materials and lesson plans
Teach students about various areas of Criminal Law

*Jan. 2016 – present – **Arbitrator/Adjudicator***, Ottawa, ON
Facilitate the process for hearings between parties in dispute
Preside over cases and provide rulings/judgment

May 2009 – May 2015 - **Board Member**, Sports Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada
Participated in and worked with sub-committees of the organization
Assisted in the governance and direction of the organization

Oct 2018 - present – **Investigator**, Sports Dispute Resolution Centre of Canada
Conduct investigation on behalf of organizations
Complete reports and provide recommendations to the organizations

2002/2004/2006/2008 **Athletes Advocate**, Olympic and Commonwealth Games
Advised team members on various athletic and contractual issues
Assisted as a member of the Issues Crisis Management Team

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Jul. - Aug. 2001 - **Project Coordinator**, Canada Summer Games, London, ON
Coordinated focus groups and obtained athlete feedback
Organized Olympic athletes speaking series for participants

Apr. - Aug. 1999 - **Employment Officer**, HRDC, Winnipeg, MB
Presented employment workshops for high school students
Assisted students with resumes, interviews and research

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Jul. 2017 – Present - **Director**, Canadian Association of Black Lawyers, Ottawa, ON
Provide direction regarding the initiatives taken by the organization
Coordinate the exchange of information surrounding legal issues in the community

Jan. 2016 – Present – **Board Member**, Dave Smith Youth Treatment Centre, Ottawa, ON
Participate in the governance of the organization
Attend and participate in monthly board meetings regarding the organization's business

Oct. 2003 – Oct.2006 - **President**, Athletes CAN, Ottawa, ON
Provided leadership and guidance on association's business
Assisted in the implementation of the organization's programs

Sept. 2000 – present – **Coach/Technical Director**, National Capital Wrestling Club
Prepare and run weekly technical practice sessions
Assist in developing and marketing the Club program

REFERENCES

Available upon request