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Clients in diverse industries reach out to Marie-Claude for her expert knowledge.

Marie-Claude's practice is focused on environmental and natural resource law, as well as energy and public law, both provincially and federally. Clients, including forestry and oil companies, industrial entrepreneurs, petroleum distributors, real estate developers and financiers, trust her to advise on compliance and regulatory matters, including regulatory requirements, authorizations and permits, reporting, inspections and investigations, as well as on climate change and greenhouse gas reduction. She also provides support to clients on the environmental aspects of their most important and complex transactions and litigation matters.

Before joining Davies, Marie-Claude practised law at national firms in Montréal and was the in-house counsel – for both litigation and compliance – for a leading Canadian forestry corporation. She is a frequent speaker on environmental matters at conferences in Québec and in Ontario.

RECOGNITIONS

Chambers Canada: Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business—Environment

The Legal 500 Canada—Environment (Recommended)

Lexpert Special Edition Leading Canadian Lawyers in Global Mining

The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory—Environmental Law

The Best Lawyers in Canada—Environmental Law

Acritas Stars 2017

INSIGHTS

Québec Issues Compensation Regime for Adverse Effects on Wetlands and Bodies of Water
Sept. 26, 2018

Canadian Bar Association, "Portrait des changements législatifs et réglementaires récents en matière de gestion des milieux humides – Les impacts en matière de développements immobiliers"; Montréal, QC
May 01, 2018

Canadian Securities Regulators Report on Climate Disclosure
Apr. 06, 2018

Écotech Québec, "Modernisation de la Loi sur la qualité de l'environnement" Part Two
Mar. 23, 2018

Écotech Québec, "Modernisation de la Loi sur la qualité de l'environnement" Part One
Feb. 23, 2018

The Québec *Environment Quality Act*: major changes coming in 2018
Feb. 20, 2018

Pan-Canadian Carbon Pricing Update: Federal Backstop Legislation Proposed
Jan. 18, 2018

Enlarged Carbon Market and New Oil Gas Statutory Framework in
Québec...Predictability or Uncertainty Ahead?
Sept. 22, 2017

Québec Business Council on the Environment, "Formation sur l'évolution de la
réglementation sur l'air et les changements climatiques"; Annual
June 01, 2016

EUCI, "Emission Trading Allowances: Fundamentals Expert Advice"
May 02, 2016

Ontario Bar Association, Hot Topics in Climate Change: Ontario in the National
and International Contexts 2016 Program, "The Regulatory & Policy Framework:
Learning from Other Jurisdictions" Experiences with Climate Change
Regulation"; Toronto, ON
Feb. 03, 2016

Ontario Bar Association, Environmental Law Section, "Zibi, A New Community in
the Heart of the Outaouais: Three Founding Nations, Two Provinces"; Ottawa,
ON
Sept. 24, 2015

Fascicule 3 – Sanctions administratives, recours devant le Tribunal administratif
du Québec et révision judiciaire, co-author
Dec. 01, 2014

Barreau du Québec, Développements récents en droit de l'environnement, "La
réglementation sur le bruit au Québec : où en sommes-nous?"
May 30, 2014

Québec Business Council on the Environment, "Les sanctions administratives
pécuniaires en vertu de la Loi sur la qualité de l'environnement : un
incontournable"
Nov. 01, 2013

Éditions Yvon Blais, Environmental Law Conference, "La Loi sur la qualité de
l'environnement et les sanctions administratives pécuniaires : où en sommes-
nous ?"
Nov. 01, 2013

Canadian Bar Association, Environment, Energy and Resources Law Section,
lunch seminar, "Revue annuelle de jurisprudence en droit de l'environnement
(2012)"
June 06, 2013

Sanctions administratives, recours devant le Tribunal administratif du Québec et
révision judiciaire, co-author
Jan. 01, 2013

DAVIES

Barreau du Québec, Continuing Education, “Responsabilité environnementale des administrateurs : Quels sont les risques et les enjeux pour les administrateurs et dirigeants d’entreprise ?”

May 01, 2012

EDUCATION

University of Cambridge, LLM (International Public Law), 2001

Université de Sherbrooke, LLB, 1999

University of Alberta, BA (Canadian Studies & Political Science) (with Distinction), 1996

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Québec Business Council on the Environment

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Cambridge Forums, Environmental Law Forum, co-chair

TEACHING ENGAGEMENTS

Marie-Claude has taught environmental law as part of the Université de Sherbrooke Faculty of Law’s undergraduate program.