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Law Practice

Katherine Kay is a partner with the litigation and competition departments in the Toronto office of Stikeman Elliott. She is also a member of the firm's Partnership Board. Her practice is concentrated on complex commercial litigation, frequently involving the overlap between regulatory, civil and criminal law regimes, and across multiple jurisdictions. She heads the firm's competition litigation practice and is lead counsel on a broad range of cases dealing with all aspects of competition law, including criminal defence, internal investigations, immunity and leniency applications, class and other civil actions, mergers, abuse of dominance and other reviewable matters before the Competition Tribunal.

Katherine's competition litigation practice emphasizes the key aspects of formulating and coordinating strategic responses, often working very closely with counsel in the United States, Europe and other jurisdictions; managing internal and external investigations, coordinating and directing multiple class actions across several Canadian jurisdictions; and vigorous and highly effective advocacy before the relevant courts and tribunals throughout Canada. A major focus of Katherine's practice is defence of class actions, where she has extensive experience in a wide range of cases, including those alleging anti-competitive conduct and securities law violations, product liability, franchise and consumer cases.

Katherine regularly acts for clients in regulatory and criminal proceedings arising from both competition and securities investigations. She has extensive advocacy experience before all levels of trial and appellate courts in Ontario, British Columbia, Québec, the Yukon Territory, the Federal Court of Canada, and the Supreme Court of Canada. She appears frequently before the Competition Tribunal, the Ontario Securities Commission, and other regulatory bodies.

Katherine has been recently recognized in several publications, including:

- > PLC's *Cross-border Competition Handbook 2010*.
- > *The Best Lawyers in Canada 2010* in the area of Competition/Antitrust.
- > Global Competition Review's *The International Who's Who of Competition Lawyers and Economists 2009*, *The International Who's Who of Business Lawyers 2010*, and as one of the "100 Women in Antitrust" in the world.
- > The 2009 LawDay's *Leading Lawyers* in the areas of Class Action Defence and Competition Law.
- > The 2009 Chambers Global's *Guide to the World's Leading Lawyers for Business* as a recommended lawyer for Competition/Antitrust: Litigators; in 2006 Chambers Global described Katherine as among "the brightest litigators of her generation."