Thornton Grout Finnigan LLP RESTRUCTURING + LITIGATION

Rachel Fielding Associate

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Rachel is a member of TGF's Commercial Litigation group. She has a broad litigation practice that includes contract disputes, shareholder disputes, estates litigation, construction matters and general corporate commercial litigation. She has appeared on behalf of clients at all levels of court in Ontario as well as several administrative tribunals, and has appeared before arbitrators on mandates of varying size and complexity.

Rachel's diverse litigation practice is bolstered by her practical, flexible approach to advocating for her clients' interests and her affinity for complex legal situations requiring creative solutions. She is a highly-responsive, confident litigator, and is known for quickly building open and trusted relationships with clients as they face significant legal challenges.

Originally from the Caribbean, Rachel completed her undergraduate degree in the US before moving to Canada to pursue her legal education. Prior to joining TGF, Rachel practiced commercial litigation at a full-service law firm in Toronto. Rachel is committed to professional development, including supporting the advancement of early-career lawyers. She is involved in the firm's student hiring committee and acts as a summer student mentor. Rachel also serves as coordinator for the Amicus Program for the Ontario Estates and Commercial list, supporting the Court in the appointment of volunteer Amicus counsel when requested.

Representative mandates

As an associate at TGF, Rachel has been part of a team representing clients in the following matters:

- + Canadian counsel to B. Riley Farber Inc., the court-appointed monitor of Lighthouse Immersive Inc. and Lighthouse Immersive U.S.A., Inc. in their proceedings under the CCAA and Chapter 15 in Delaware.
- + Counsel to FTI Consulting Canada Inc. as court-appointed monitor of Fire & Flower Holdings Corp. and its affiliates pursuant to the CCAA.
- + Counsel to Grant Thornton Limited as Trustee in Bankruptcy of self-proclaimed crypto king Aiden Pleterski and AP Private Equity Limited.

- + Joint ventures and public companies in complex construction, engineering and design disputes involving public-private-partnership infrastructure projects across Ontario. Mandates have included transit systems, multi-modal stations, highways and sewage infrastructure.
- + Property development companies and constructors. Mandates include disputes over construction of low- and high-rise residential and mixed-use projects.
- + Represented a developer in its dispute over the development of a mid-rise residential condominium involving deficiency claims and claims for delay.
- + Represented a large international bank in a dispute over amounts owed under the terms of a loan involving claims of fraud and the interpretation of guarantee documents.

Professional Involvement

Rachel is a member of:

- + Canadian Bar Association
- + Ontario Bar Association
- + The Advocates' Society; member-at-large of TAS Commercial Litigation Practice Group (2023-2024)
- + Toronto Lawyers Association; member of TLA New Lawyers Committee (2023-2024)

Education

Bar Admissions

+ Ontario, 2017

Education

- + J.D. (Osgoode Hall Law School), 2016
- + B.A. (Hons.) (University of Pennsylvania), 2011