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Stephen Henderson is a member of Cassels Brock's **Business Law Group**. His legal practice focuses on entertainment and intellectual property matters across many industries including music, film and television, sports, fashion, video games, theatre, book publishing, marketing, and social media.

Stephen prides himself on providing reasoned and practical advice to a wide variety of clients. These clients include major broadcasters, game developers, some of Canada's biggest brands, and chart-topping as well as up-and-coming recording artists.

His work has included transactions involving the purchase of music catalogues (master and publishing) and the sale of major fashion brands with global trademark portfolios.

He is frequently involved in the negotiation and drafting of all manner of music-related agreements including recording, publishing, producer, and endorsement agreements. He is also experienced in legal issues relating to touring, festivals, and televised performances.

Proud to be active in the legal community, Stephen is a member of the Ontario Bar Association Entertainment, Media & Communications Section, the ABA Forum on the Entertainment and Sports Industries, and the Intellectual Property Institute of Canada. He coaches Osgoode Hall's Oxford International Intellectual Property Moot team and mentors high school students interested in law through the University of Toronto's Youth Summer Program. He works with entrepreneurs via OCAD University's Imagination Catalyst start-up incubator.

Stephen teaches classes at Osgoode Hall Law School on entertainment law and at Western University Faculty of Law on intellectual property issues in franchising. In 2017, Stephen presented a seminar for in-house counsel entitled "Best Practices in Social Media Marketing". He is also an author of the 2019 update to *Entertainment Law in Canada* published by LexisNexis Canada. While articling, Stephen assisted with the yearly update to the *Watson & McGowan Annual Survey of Recent Developments in Civil Procedure*.

Stephen is a graduate of the J.D. program at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law. Prior to attending law school, Stephen received an Honours B.A. in Multimedia and Political Science from McMaster University before working in Canada and Switzerland to assist companies and organizations with their web presence, marketing, and social media efforts.

**Call to the bar**

Ontario, 2014



## **Associations**

- International Trademark Association
- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Bar Association
- American Bar Association (Entertainment and Sports Law Forum)
- Canadian Academy of Recording Arts and Sciences

## **Expertise**

Business  
Copyright & Entertainment  
Intellectual Property