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Ronald Manes, B. Sc, L.L.B., L.L. M. is Senior Litigation Counsel to Torkin Manes, a founding partner and its Inaugural Chair.

Ron obtained his undergraduate law degree from Osgoode Hall Law School and his graduate law degree from Harvard Law which he attended on a Laidlaw Fellowship.

His early practice was a mixed bag of criminal and civil cases, but for many years has practised exclusively civil litigation in which he has acted in a wide range of serious tort and commercial litigation, in all levels of superior courts including the Supreme Court, from Medical Malpractice and Competition Act actions to Shareholder Disputes. He is uniquely recognized in Best Lawyers in both Commercial and Personal Injury litigation. Ron has also acted as Lead Counsel to several Commissions and other public bodies.

Ron has published four books, the most recent being “Persuasive Trial Advocacy”, Thomson Reuters (2020).

Ron has received several awards for public and professional service, is a long serving Bencher (Governor) of the Law Society of Ontario, and has devoted a portion of his professional career to Access to Justice, particularly as pro bono counsel and creating initiatives like Pro Bono Ontario.

Expertise

- ▶ Litigation

Awards & Recognition

- ▶ *The Best Lawyers in Canada*® - Corporate and Commercial Litigation, Personal Injury Litigation (2008 – present)
- ▶ *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* (2014)
- ▶ *Martindale-Hubbell*: AV Preeminent Peer Review Rated
- ▶ Ontario Bar Association Award for Distinguished Service
- ▶ Osgoode Hall Law School Golden Key Award
- ▶ Lawyer of the Year (Advocacy Resource Centre for the Handicapped)
- ▶ Honoured by numerous organizations for contributions to the legal profession and the community

Publications & Presentations

- ▶ Oct 09, 2020 | Book
Persuasive Trial Advocacy
Thomson Reuters
- ▶ Mar 10, 2015 | Article
The Persuasive Advocate
The Litigator, Ontario Trial Lawyers Association
- ▶ Jan 01, 1996 | Article
The Law of Confidential Communications in Canada
Butterworths
- ▶ Jan 01, 1993 | Article
Solicitor-Client Privilege in Canadian Law
Butterworths
- ▶ Jan 01, 1988 | Book
Manes' Organized Advocacy
Co-author, published by Carswell, 1985 and previously 1983.

Community Involvement

- ▶ Founder, Pro Bono Law Ontario
- ▶ Founder, Volunteer Lawyers Service
- ▶ Vice President, Victim Justice Network

Credentials

- ▶ Called to the Ontario Bar, 1974

Education

- ▶ LL.M., Harvard Law School (Laidlaw Fellow), 1972
- ▶ LL.B., Osgoode Hall Law School, 1971