

# Lisa Mantello

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## Areas of Expertise

Private CreditPension Fund
InvestmentsBanking and Financial
ServicesSecurities
RegulatoryInvestment FundsPrivate
ClientDerivativesInsolvency and
RestructuringFinancial Services

Lisa Mantello is an experienced transactional lawyer who is recognized for her fresh perspective and creativity in solving problems for her clients. Lisa practices in all areas of financial services with particular expertise in domestic and cross-border financing transactions, private credit, structured finance and derivatives.

She brings to the table a wealth of practical knowledge from being involved in some of the most complex and dynamic transactions of the last decade in the Canadian finance market. She is Canadian counsel for the International Swaps and Derivatives Association (ISDA). Her work with ISDA includes drafting and publishing the Netting and Collateral opinions for the Canada, Ontario, Alberta, British Columbia and Québec jurisdictions, which are relied upon by ISDA members and Canadian derivatives market participants from around the world.

Lisa is consistently recognized as a leading lawyer by the *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* in the area of derivatives, *Best Lawyers in Canada* in the area of banking and finance and as Highly Regarded by *IFLR 1000* in the areas of banking and finance, derivatives and financial restructuring. Recently, Lisa was named one of the Top 25 Most Influential Lawyers in Canada for 2023. Each year, the Canadian Lawyer's Top 25 Most Influential Lawyers list recognizes an individual's efforts to help shape the law and contribute to the strength and quality of legal services. Lawyers who are selected often contribute to the most nationally significant and strategic legal questions, cases, deals, and disputes.

Lisa has been appointed to the Collateral Infrastructure and Market Practices Advisory Group by the Bank of Canada. This group, comprising key capital market participants, provides guidance on the structure of the Canadian repo market. Lisa's expertise will not only contribute to the development of a robust financial infrastructure but also serve to enhance Osler's ongoing relationship with the Bank of Canada. Lisa's appointment reflects the firm's deep involvement and influence within the Canadian financial legal landscape.

Lisa received the following client praise as part of her nomination for the Top 25 Most Influential Lawyers of 2023: "An ultimate expert in financial services with exceptional technical knowledge in lending and structured finance, she is a trusted leader to nearly all the players in the industry."



In 2022, Lisa was appointed by the Bank of Canada as Chair of the Legal and Compliance Committee as part of the Canadian Alternative Reference Rate (CARR) working group established to shift Canada to the new Term Canadian Overnight Rep Rate Average (CORRA). Her guidance and leadership on these committees has proven invaluable as Canada seeks a smooth, viable and sound transition. Prior to her work on CORRA, Lisa established the Canadian Legal IBOR Committee to provide thought-leadership on common issues related to London Interbank Offered Rate fallback planning. She led the drafting of the recommended fallback language that will be implemented by every major financial institution and lender in the Canadian market.

Lisa speaks and writes extensively in Canada and internationally about the derivatives industry, fintech and cross-border financings. She is a board member of the Finance Advisory Board for Practical Law – Canada, established by Carswell and is a frequent faculty member for Osgoode Professional Development programs.

### Awards and Recognition

- The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory: Recognized in Banking & Financial Institutions; Derivative Instruments
- Lexpert Special Edition: Finance and M&A 2025
- Lexpert's Leading 500 Cross-Border Lawyers: A Guide to Doing Business in Canada: Recognized in Derivative Instruments
- Canadian Lawyer: Recognized in Top 25 Most Influential Lawyers 2023
- Best Lawyers in Canada: Recognized in Banking and Finance Law
- **IFLR1000:** *The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Firms:* Recognized in Banking; Capital markets: Derivatives; Financial Restructuring (Highly Regarded)

#### Credentials

#### Education

- Osgoode Hall/Schulich School of Business (LL.B/M.B.A, 2002)
- York University (B.A., 1998)



## Professional Affiliations

- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Bar Association
- Women in Capital Markets
- American College of Commercial Finance Lawyers, Fellow
- Bank of Canada, Collateral Infrastructure and Market Practices Advisory Group, Member
- International Swaps and Derivatives Association
- Global Peer Financing Association