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Bar Admission: Ontario, 2006

Areas of Expertise

- [Banking and Financial Services](#)
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Pooja Mihailovich is a seasoned tax litigator with a proven track record in resolving complex tax disputes and litigation matters. She has worked on precedent-setting cases and appeared at all levels of court, including successful appeals before the Supreme Court of Canada.

Her passion for the practice, and unwavering commitment to client service, have earned her recognition as a trusted advisor in the field.

Be it at the negotiating table or in the courtroom, Pooja brings strategic vision to every case that she handles. She has represented Canada’s largest corporate taxpayers across various industries in high-stakes disputes, and consistently delivered favourable outcomes.

Notable decisions include *GlaxoSmithKline*, the only transfer pricing case to be heard by the Supreme Court to date and *Loblaw*, the first case heard by the Supreme Court to address the foreign accrual property income (FAPI) rules. Pooja has also represented taxpayers in cases concerning the general anti-avoidance rule (GAAR) and in defending against demands for taxpayer information.

Pooja is ranked as a leader among her peers. Her success has been recognized in *Chambers Canada* and *Chambers Global*, *International Tax Review*, *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* and the *Lexpert/American Lawyer Guide*, and *Best Lawyers in Canada* (Lawyer of the Year, Tax Law).

Chambers & Partners: Pooja is described by clients as “...smart, hardworking, and always conscious of what was in our best interests ... absolutely brilliant ... and so well informed on our opponent’s intentions [offering] great insight into how to effectively argue the case.”

Pooja has held a longstanding commitment to give back to the community. For more than a decade, she has volunteered her time to support the initiatives of the Canadian Tax Foundation (CTF). Her more recent contributions to industry organizations also include the Tax Court Bench and Bar Committee and the Advocates’ Society’s Tax Litigation Practice Group.

Throughout her career, Pooja has made a concerted effort in her teaching roles to mentor

the next generation of tax lawyers: she is an adjunct professor at Osgoode Hall Law School and has also taught tax litigation and corporate tax law courses at Queen's University, McGill University and the University of Toronto.

Pooja is frequently sought out as a speaker at industry events and is a prolific writer. She co-edited one of the leading texts on tax disputes in Canada and is a contributing editor of *Tax Litigation* (Federated Press) and the *Toronto Law Journal*.

Awards and Recognition

- **Chambers Canada: Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business:** Recognized in Tax: Litigation
- **The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory:** Recognized in Litigation – Corporate Tax; Lexpert Rising Stars: Leading Lawyers Under 40 Finalist (2020); [Canada's leading corporate tax litigation lawyers in 2021](#)
- **Best Lawyers in Canada:** Recognized in Tax Law; "Lawyer of the Year", Tax Law (2023)
- **Benchmark Litigation Canada:** Recognized in Dispute Resolution; Tax Disputes (40 & Under Hot List)
- **International Tax Review:** Recognized in Tax Controversy; Women in Tax; recognized as a Highly Regarded lawyer
- **Euromoney LMG Americas Rising Star Awards:** Recognized in Tax and Tax Disputes (Shortlisted)
- **Lexpert's Leading 500 Cross-Border Lawyers: A Guide to Doing Business in Canada:** Recognized in Litigation – Corporate Tax
- **Who's Who Legal:** Recognized in Corporate Tax – Controversy; Canada – Corporate Tax
- **Thomson Reuters:** "Stand-out Lawyer"
- **Lexpert Special Edition:** Recognized in Litigation

Credentials

Education

- University of Waterloo, M.Tax
- University of Western Ontario, LL.B.
- University of Toronto, B.Sc. (Hons.)

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Languages

- English

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Professional Affiliations

- Canadian Tax Foundation
- The Advocates' Society
- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Bar Association