

Blanche Fournier

Senior Associate

Blanche Fournier is a lawyer in the firm's Litigation group.

Her practice focuses on civil litigation, especially civil, professional and hospital liability. In particular, she is involved in the defence in several class action cases.

In this capacity, she assists and advises the firm's clients in dispute resolution and represents them before the lower courts and on appeal.

Ms. Fournier teaches in the École du Barreau du Québec's technical clinic on representations in medical liability cases. She is also a member of the executive of the health section of the Canadian Bar Association (CBA-Quebec).

Ms. Fournier joined Lavery in 2018, after articling with the firm. She holds a bachelor's degree in cooperative law from the Université de Sherbrooke. While in law school, Ms. Fournier had the opportunity to complete two internships with major financial institutions and one internship with a law firm specializing in civil litigation.



Publications and lectures

- Co-author of the annual publication *La responsabilité civile du personnel infirmier, Obligations et responsabilité civile*, Juris Classeur Québec, Lexis Nexis, 2023.
- Blanche Fournier, "Commentaire sur la décision *Succession de Chekir – Le fragile équilibre entre le droit au secret professionnel et l'intérêt du défunt de voir ses volontés respectées*," *Repères*, May 2023, EYB2023REP3614.
- Blanche Fournier and François Rizcallah, "Commentaire sur l'arrêt *Centre intégré de santé et de services sociaux de Laval c. S.R.: l'accessoire du principal – Le pouvoir de la Cour du Québec d'autoriser des examens médicaux lors de l'émission d'une ordonnance de garde provisoire*," *Repères*, March 2022, EYB2022REP3435.
- Lecture – Collège Ellis, "Le consentement aux soins," October 2022 (talk given to pre-hospital emergency care students).
- Blanche Fournier, "Comment on the decision *Center for Gender Advocacy c. Attorney General of Quebec – Transgenres, non-binaires*,

intersexués : comment intégrer les nuances requises dans l'appareil de l'état civil ? ", *Repères*, April 2021, EYB2021REP3261

Blanche Fournier, "Commentaire sur la décision CIUSSS de l'Est-de-l'île-de-Montréal c. E.M. - L'intérêt et la volonté du majeur inapte dans l'analyse d'une demande d'autorisation de soins de confort et palliatifs," *Repères*, November 2021, EYB2021REP3377.

Marie-Nancy Paquet and Blanche Fournier, " Comment on the decision *Truchon c. Procureur général du Canada – Faut-il être mourant pour avoir le droit d'être aidé à mourir ?* ", *Repères*, September 2020, EYB2020REP3139

Marie-Nancy Paquet and Blanche Fournier, " *Pandémie et contrats : conséquences pour les établissements* ", *Le point santé*, April 2020

Lecture – Easter Townships real estate colloquium, "Votre client vendeur a reçu une mise en demeure pour vices cachés, que faire?", May 2019

Lecture – Major symposium on labour and employment law, "Développements récents 2018-2019," June 2019

Danielle Gauthier, Dave Bouchard and Blanche Fournier, "*The Court of Appeal sets the record straight on applications for assignment of costs*", March 13, 2018

Distinctions

Award of Excellence from the Faculty of Law of the *Université de Sherbrooke* (2017)

Selected for the Dean's Honor Roll of the Faculty of Law of the *Université de Sherbrooke* (2014-2015) (2015-2016) (2016-2017)

Education

Seven-day seminar on oral advocacy techniques, Barreau du Québec, 2023

LL.B., *Université de Sherbrooke*, 2017