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## Intellectual Property Lawyer

Silvia's practice is concentrated in the area of business law with an emphasis on intellectual property law and technology law. Her practice also includes intellectual property transactions, cannabis advertising and marketing, intellectual property protection, trademarks, copyrights, patents and licensing matters. Silvia is a trademark agent.

### **EDUCATION**

University of Manitoba, LLB., 1993

University of Manitoba, Bachelor of Arts, 1990

### **CALL TO THE BAR**

Manitoba, 1994

### **ACHIEVEMENTS**

Nationally Recognized as a Woman of Influence by the Women of Influence Inc.

Best Lawyers in Canada 2016 - 2020 Technology Law

### **LEGAL TEACHINGS**

Seasonal Lecturer for The University of Manitoba, Faculty of Law and Asper School of Business on solicitor transaction matters, intellectual property matters, licencing matters and international law matters.

### **OTHER SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

- Silvia has spoken on many occasions to professional organizations and industry groups on intellectual property matters and business matters.
- E-Commerce - Up Up and Away (Pitblado Lectures 2005).



Member  
**LexMundi**  
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- Law Society presentations on intellectual property and technology matters.
- Manitoba Bar Association presentations on intellectual property and technology matters.
- Seminars on intellectual property and business law matters.

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Silvia has been nominated to the Branch Council of the Manitoba Bar Association. The term of office is from September 1, 2013 to August 31, 2019
- Chair of the Transactional IP Committee of the Canadian Bar Association
- Past Chair of the National Intellectual Property Law Section of the Canadian Bar Association
- Chair of the IP Transactions and Licensing Committee of the American Bar Association Section of Intellectual Property Law
- Former Chair and currently a member of the Technology and Intellectual Property Law Section of the Manitoba Bar Association
- Past Chair of the Manitoba Chambers of Commerce Policy Committee
- Membership Board Member of American Bar Association (Section of Intellectual Property Law)
- Liaison to the LES patent Licensing Standards Committee from the ABA Section of Intellectual Property Law
- Board of Director, The Associates
- Member of the Recruitment Committee of The Associates
- Sponsor of Entrepreneurs' Organization
- Board Member of Health Sciences Centre Foundation
- Member of the Donor Committee of the Health Sciences Centre Foundation
- Volunteer at The Legal Help Centre Inc.
- Former Director of the Manitoba Chambers of Commerce
- Committee Member of the Treasury Risk Oversight Committee for The Province of Manitoba
- Member of Life Science Association of Manitoba
- Past Member of Nominations Committee of 2015 Women of Distinction Awards
- Member of Pitblado Lectures 2015 Organizing Committee
- Volunteer at Legal Start Up Clinic
- Mentor on the North Forge Mentor Council

Silvia is a member of the following Lex Mundi practice groups: Intellectual Property, E-Commerce, Privacy, Outsourcing, Technology, Telecommunications

