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Nicole practices general civil and commercial litigation, with a focus on construction disputes, builders' liens issues, and estate litigation.

"You're a person, not a number."

During her career with Pitblado Law, Nicole has transitioned from Summer Student in 2003, to Articling Student after receiving her law degree from the University of Manitoba in 2004, to Associate after her Call to the Bar in 2005, and to Partner in 2014.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Litigation and Dispute Resolution
 - Administrative Proceedings
 - Alternative Dispute Resolution
 - Civil Litigation
 - Construction Litigation
 - Corporate and Commercial Litigation
 - Estate Litigation
- Sector Specific
 - Construction
- Tax and Estates
 - Estate Administration

HONOURS AND AWARDS

- Dean's Honour List, 1995 – 1999, 2002 – 2004
- Frederick J. Turner, Q.C./Keith Turner, Q.C. Prize for Highest Standing in Conflict of Laws (Third Year Law)
- Pitblado Scholar in Second Year Law
- Archie Micay, Q.C. Prize for Third Highest Standing in Second Year Law
- Judge Ross A. Johnston Prize for Family Law (Second Year Law)
- Carrigan Cup Moot Finalist in Second Year Law



Q&A

Q: What I like about being a lawyer?

A: *It is the ultimate combination of working with and meeting new people - while riding the adrenaline wave of the fight that needs to be fought.*

Q: Favorite quote?

A: *"The influence you have on the lives of others will outlive the memory of your achievements."*
- Charles Swindoll

LECTURES, SPEECHES AND PUBLICATIONS

- Co-presenter, Manitoba Bar Association Wills & Estates Subsection, "Part II: Powers of Attorney – Duties and Obligations", November 2018
- Author, Pitblado Whitepaper, "Estate Planning for Blended Families: issues and considerations", May 2017
- Co-Presenter, The Law Society of Manitoba, "Estate Litigation and Administration", March 2017
- Co-Presenter, The Law Society of Manitoba, "The Basics of Builders' Liens: Rights, Registration and Reality", April 2016
- Presenter, Wild Conf, "Striving to Run the Race Well" Workshop, January 2016
- Presenter, Free to Lead Conference, "Time and Priorities" Workshop, January 2015
- Co-presenter, Manitoba Bar Association Midwinter Conference, "Nuts and Bolts of Builders' Liens", January 2013
- Presenter, Canadian Transport Lawyers Association Annual Conference in Winnipeg, Manitoba, "Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Judgements", September 2011
- Sessional Instructor, University of Manitoba Law School, 2009 – 2011
- Senior Editor, Manitoba Law Journal, 2003 – 2004



COMMUNITY

- Current Board Member, Grace Community Church Winnipeg
- Current Board Member, Focus on the Family Canada
- Board Member, Little Lambs Christian Preschool, 2016 – 2018
- WTL Books & Gifts Ministry, 2013 – 2015
- Board Member, Children’s Wish Foundation of Canada, The Manitoba & Nunavut Chapter, 2013 – 2014
- Women’s Executive Committee Member, Calvary Temple Church, Winnipeg, 2012 – 2014
- Volunteer Teacher, High School Mock Trial Preparation, 2006 – 2007
- Committee Member, Guardian Angels Benefit for Women’s Cancer, 2006

MEMBERSHIPS AND ASSOCIATIONS

- Law Society of Manitoba
- Canadian Bar Association (CBA)
- Manitoba Bar Association (MBA)
- MBA Construction Law Subsection Executive (Vice-Chair 2008 – 2009, Chair 2009 – 2010, Vice-Chair 2012 – 2014, Chair 2014 – 2015)
- Canadian Transport Lawyers’ Association Board Member, Manitoba Representative, 2012 – 2014
- Grace Community Church, Winnipeg
- Fort Rouge Curling Club, Saturday Night Mixed League
- St. Vital Curling Club, Tuesday Night Women’s League
- Manhattan Beach Retreat Centre, Pelican Lake, Manitoba

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL

- Admitted to the Manitoba Bar, 2005
- LL.B., University of Manitoba, 2004
- BSc, Collège Universitaire de St-Boniface, 1999