

# Dentons congratulates winners of its annual Out on Bay Street Moot Competition with Start Proud

On Saturday, November 21, Dentons partnered with Start Proud to host its annual Dentons-Start Proud Out on Bay Street Moot Competition.

This year, four teams of students from the University of Windsor, Queens and Western competed head-to-head on a case focused on discrimination based on sexual orientation and the disinheritance of the disposition of property. The competition included a written factum prior to each appellant and respondent presenting their case in front of a panel of judges composed of Crown Attorneys and Dentons lawyers and clients.

Moot competitions are an important component of a law student's academic journey. The Dentons-Start Proud Out on Bay Street Moot provides an opportunity for students to improve their legal research, analysis and advocacy skills by preparing a case based on real issues important to the LGBT+ community.

Congratulations to Kira Salena (University of Windsor) and Jamie Buckland-Foster (Queens), this year's Out on Bay Street Moot winners.

Thank you to the judges: Justice Nordheimer (ONCA), Shane Hobson (Ministry of the Attorney General), Aaron Del Rizzo (Ministry of the Attorney General), Marian Van Hoek (BASF), Francisca Sotelo (Purolator), Barbara Grossman, Michael Beeforth and Michael Schafler.

And also a special thank you to Michael Townsend (Ministry of the Attorney General), Susan Fridlyand and the team at Start Proud for coordinating this year's moot, and a big thank you to **David Rye** and **Val Kushchenko** for their expertise in making this year's competition another success.

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