



JOB DESCRIPTION

Position title: Head of Legal Affairs (6+ Years Experience)

Department: Legal Affairs

Reports to: Chief Business Affairs Officer

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Access Copyright is a collective voice of creators and publishers in Canada. A non-profit, national organization, it represents tens of thousands of Canadian writers, visual artists and publishers, and their works. This rich repertoire of content is highly valued by educators, students, researchers, corporate employees and others who need to copy and share content. Access Copyright licenses the copying of this repertoire to educational institutions, businesses, governments and other organizations. The proceeds gathered when content is copied, remixed and shared are passed along to copyright-holders, ensuring the continued creation of new and innovative works.

Access Copyright is now looking for a Head of Legal Affairs to lead its legal function. Working closely with and reporting to the Chief Business Affairs Officer, the Head of Legal Affairs oversees and directs all litigation matters and copyright tariff proceedings before the Copyright Board of Canada, acts as a senior legal advisor to the organization on a variety of issues, including risk management, corporate governance, and privacy, and negotiates, drafts and reviews licensing and other commercial agreements. This position will be based in downtown Toronto.

The ideal candidate will have a minimum of 6 years of copyright or intellectual property law experience gained in a major law firm or corporation. Experience in the publishing industry or with a collective society would be an asset. Litigation experience at the Federal Court and/or Copyright Board of Canada would be of interest, though not a requirement. You must have strong oral and written communication skills, sound business judgment, and be able to prioritize competing demands. Any prior experience in managing others would also be an asset.

This is an exciting time at the organization, as it expands its focus on innovation. Its people are passionate and committed to the belief that creators and publishers ought to be fairly compensated for the use of their works. It offers a variety of work with a competitive compensation package, in a friendly environment. To apply for this opportunity, please forward your cover letter and CV to Lorene Nagata or Lesa Ong at NagataCONNEX Executive Legal Search, or contact them for a confidential discussion.

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