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After being called to the Bar in 2020, Me Virginie Bernier-Bastien joined the firm Ménard Martin Avocats, which specializes in the protection of healthcare system patients, after having worked there as a law student in 2019 and as an articling student. As part of her practice, she was called upon to analyze civil, medical and hospital liability cases and to represent the firm's clients before the courts. She has also represented clients in cases of confinement and treatment orders.

Since July 2021, she has held the position of Legal Counsel at the Fonds de recherche du Québec (Nature and Technology, Health, Society and Culture), where she has the opportunity to be involved in the support and promotion of Quebec research and scientific knowledge dissemination. She provides legal support in contract law, governance, access to information and privacy.

She is currently completing a Master's degree in Health Law and Policy at the Université de Sherbrooke to further her knowledge in the field of health law.

During her undergraduate studies, she participated in the National Student Pro Bono Network (NSBN) program as a volunteer speaker with a community organization and a non-profit organization aimed at the social reintegration of people facing homelessness. As part of her involvement, she has presented legal lectures on various topics of health law, elder law, and employment law.

Since 2017, she has been a member of the Canadian Armed Forces Reserve as an infantry soldier with the Régiment de Maisonneuve in Montreal. Her engagement in this role has taught her the values of integrity, professionalism, and excellence.

In her personal time, if she is not reading a novel, she practices either mixed martial arts, rock climbing or soccer.



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