

Courtney Betty Joins Miller Canfield in Toronto

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The law firm of Miller Canfield announces that lawyer Courtney Betty has joined the firm in the Toronto, Canada office. He applies his 20+ years of extensive legal experience in both government and the private sector, especially in the areas of international business development.

As a former Crown Attorney at the Department of Justice Canada, Mr. Betty represented the Government of Canada in complex tax, commercial, and litigation matters. His work in the Caribbean in developing a framework for the deregulation of telecommunications has been recognized as ground breaking. He is the leading advocate in Canada for the development of a legal framework for supplier diversity.

"We welcome Courtney and his depth of knowledge and experience. He is strongly committed to ensuring that small to large-sized companies have access to quality legal services and the necessary business development strategies required to succeed," said John D. Leslie, leader of Miller Canfield's Canadian Law Group. "We're pleased to continue to expand our Canadian offices to meet the legal needs of clients both here and abroad in this ever-changing global market."

Mr. Betty gained an excellent understanding of the legal and regulatory framework at the Department of Justice Canada. He successfully assisted the Government of Jamaica in deregulating the telecommunications sector. This model was adopted throughout the Caribbean. He then joined AT&T where he successfully negotiated a cellular license in Jamaica and lead AT&T's legal and business development strategy. Courtney's expertise in working with Governments and the private sector combined with an in-depth knowledge of emerging markets brings tremendous value to his clients.

He is a member of the Law Society of Upper Canada and Bar of Jamaica.

He has been honored with the City of Toronto William Hubbard Award and Planet Africa Leadership Award. He is the founder and chair of Diversity Business Network. He is on the City of Toronto's Mayor's Task Force on Economic Development and Police Training Committee.

He received his J.D. from Osgoode Hall Law School of York University and his B.A. from University of Prince Edward Island.