



The Litigation Counsel of America is pleased to announce that **Judith Hull** of McKenzie Lake Lawyers in London, Ontario, is a recipient of the Peter Perlman Service Award. The award was presented to Ms. Hull by 2017 LCA President **Rusty Hardin** of Rusty Hardin & Associates LLP in Houston, Texas, at the 2017 Fall Conference & Celebration of Fellows held at the St. Regis Bal Harbour Resort in Miami Beach, Florida.

The award recognizes LCA Fellows who contribute in meaningful ways to society by giving back their time and resources in an effort to improve the lives of others. The award is named after 2013 President of the LCA **Peter Perlman** of Peter Perlman Law Offices, P.S.C., in Lexington, Kentucky. In the words of Peter Perlman, “The profession of law not only allows us to advocate on behalf of those whose rights need to be protected, but gives us a platform to improve the quality of life for those not engaged in the legal system. The betterment of society, the environment, and our way of life, improvement of the positions of people who have faced challenges outside their control, and effecting change on behalf of those without a strong voice are all causes we should take on as professionals as we work within one of the very pillars of our government. The practice of law is what we do, but our opportunities to protect and defend transcend the profession.”

Ms. Hull has built her career as a strong advocate, both for people who have suffered life-altering harms as well as vulnerable special interest groups. In her practice, she represents plaintiffs who have been seriously injured or killed as a result of the negligence of others. More recently, Ms. Hull has expanded her practice to advocate for those who have suffered privacy and other human rights violations. Helping those individuals led her early in her career to become an advocate for legislative reform to better protect the most vulnerable members of society. She was elected to the board of directors of the Ontario Trial Lawyers Association (OTLA) and went on to become the president of the organization in 2009-2010. Giving back to the profession being a career long priority, she also served on the Advocates’ Society board, and the Board of Governors of the American Association for Justice for 7 years, which recognized her contributions with the International Trial Lawyer Leadership award in 2010. As a vocal women’s rights advocate, she has leveraged her position as a lawyer to raise awareness of equality issues and to empower women both inside and outside of the profession. She was the recipient of the OTLA Women’s Caucus award in 2011. Her passion for championing the individual naturally extends to the broader community and making the community better for all of its citizens. Over the past decade, Ms. Hull has devoted considerable time to safe cycling advocacy. Following the tragic cycling death of her cousin in June 2006, the Share the Road Cycling Coalition was launched to raise road safety awareness for all road users. She was involved at its early inception and, following the election of the organization’s founder to the provincial parliament, she went on to become Chair of the organization until 2015. Ms. Hull has also been involved throughout her career in

numerous charitable organizations that help her clients, including the Ontario Brain Injury Association, both on a provincial and local level. On a more personal level, she is actively involved with greyhound rescue, adoption and relocation. Her current two greyhounds, Rene and Bryn, are often used as therapy dogs with her most seriously injured clients.

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