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More than five years ago, Trina Fraser formed and now leads BSL's CannaLaw group. Since then, her advocacy has had a significant impact upon the development and implementation of cannabis legalization in Canada. Fraser represents licensed cannabis cultivators, processors, medical sellers, adult-use retailers and ancillary cannabis industry service providers. She currently sits on the board of directors of Canadians for Fair Access to Medical Marijuana, which advocates

for improved patient access to medical cannabis, as well as Ottawa-based children's charity The Snowsuit Fund. In the fall of 2017, Fraser was invited to provide testimony to the Standing Committee on Health on Bill C45. In her testimony, she argued that in order to achieve the legislative objective of displacing the illicit market, Canada's legal cannabis framework would have to permit participation by non-violent individuals who previously participated in the illicit market.