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ALLISON TURNER

In 1991, Allison Turner received her bachelor's degree in civil and common law through McGill University's National Law Program. Prior to that, she completed undergraduate studies, mainly in political sciences, at Schiller International University in Paris, France.

In 1993, Ms. Turner became a member of the *Barreau du Québec*, specializing in family law and insurance law (professional liability), before becoming a partner in a Montreal law firm.

Recently, she began her graduate studies in international law and became a candidate for a master's degree at the faculty of law of *Université de Montréal*. Her fields of interest include international human rights law, especially state-sanctioned actions against women, international criminal law, the International Criminal Court and international crimes of aggression. Ms. Turner was recently declared competent to act as attorney general by the *ministère de la Justice du Québec*. She is also a member of the Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice, and of Human Rights Watch.

Ms. Turner is currently on a council of lawyers working for the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda, located in Arusha, Tanzania.

Her volunteer work includes sitting on the board of directors of *Lupus Québec*. In 2001, she founded the only inline skating club in Montreal. Also, in collaboration with the city and the Montreal Canadiens organization, Ms. Turner is the project manager for the organizing committee of the *Promenade des Glorieux de Montréal*. She was the North American marathon speed skating champion in 2004.