

## Karen E. Jacques

For nearly 30 years Karen E. Jacques' career, both legal and non-legal, has been concentrated on health, safety and disability issues in a variety of contexts; including training, program management, emergency response, insurance adjudication, and legal guidance. Ms. Jacques' law practice focused on resolving disputes; through litigation in the court system, advocacy before administrative tribunals, & navigating alternative dispute resolution. Through her decisions as a Tribunal Vice-Chair for the Workplace Safety and Insurance Appeals Tribunal, she clarifies and advances the interpretation of legislation and policy pertaining to health, safety, and medical matters. Ms. Jacques holds a J.D. from Windsor Law, a B.A. in Kinesiology Physical Education &

Psychology, a Certificate in Mental health Law, and a Certificate in Adjudication for Administrative Agencies, Boards & Tribunals. Ms. Jacques actively supports non-profit initiatives, having served as General Counsel to a variety of national and community organizations. In 2018, she began a personal journey with heart health, experiencing first-hand the inequities and inadequacies in women's heart health care, particularly those associated with the diagnosis and treatment of Myocardial Infarction with Non-Obstructive Arteries (MINOCA), Coronary Artery Spasms (CAS), and Microvascular Disease (MVD). She is committed to lending what energies she has to creating a new reality for women's heart health.