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Throughout her career, Ms. Levine has taught, written and spoken extensively on topics related to the Charter, administrative law, Crown practice and Supreme Court practice and advocacy for continuing legal education institutions such as the Law Society of Upper Canada, Ontario Bar Association, Osgoode Hall Law School and University of Toronto Law School. Ms. Levine is a recipient of the John Tait award for public service and the Ontario Bar Association's inaugural Tom Marshall Award of Excellence for public sector lawyers.