

Palestinian Human Rights Issues in Canada: A Legal & Tactical Guide

CHAPTER 8: CASE LAW APPENDIX



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The cases included below are all related to Palestine in one way or another. The cases are organized first alphabetically and then by topic.

ALPHABETICAL

- 1 | *Bil'in (Village Council) v Green Park International Inc.*, 2009 QCCS 4151
- 2 | *Canadian Arab Federation v Canada (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration)*, 2015 CAF 168
- 3 | *Canadian National Railway Company v John Doe, Jane Doe, Persons Unknown*, 2023 NBKB 217
- 4 | *Canadian National Railway v. John Doe*, 2023 ONSC 6860
- 5 | *Canadian Union of Postal Workers v Quebecor Media Inc.*, 2024 ONSC 6484
- 6 | *CUPW v B'nai Brith Canada et al*, 2020 ONSC 323
- 7 | *DeLuca v Foodbenders*, 2023 ONSC 6465
- 8 | *Farah v Canada (Foreign Affairs)*, 2025 FC 679
- 9 | *Federation CJA v Independent Jewish Voices Canada Inc.*, 2025 QCCS 604
- 10 | *Fried c Students' Society of McGill University*, 2024 QCCS 1381
- 11 | *Hamza v Law Society of Ontario et al*, 2021 ONSC 4593
- 12 | *Indigo Books & Music Inc v John Doe 1 (Indigo Kills Kids)*, 2024 FC 1465
- 13 | *Jama v The Speaker*, 2024 ONSC 1264
- 14 | *Jazairi v Ontario (Human Rights Commission)*, 1999 CanLII 3744 (ON CA)
- 15 | *Kattenburg v Canada (Attorney General)*, 2019 FC 1003
- 16 | *Lascaris v B'nai Brith Canada*, 2019 ONCA 163
- 17 | *McGill University v Students for Palestine's Honour and Resistance McGill*, 2024 QCCS 3671
- 18 | *Medvedovsky v Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights McGill (SPHR McGill)*, 2024 QCCS 1518
- 19 | *Memorial University (Re)*, 2025 CanLII 27184 (NL IPC)
- 20 | *National Council of Canadian Muslims v Canada (Attorney General)*, 2022 FC 1087
- 21 | *Noble v York University Foundation*, 2010 ONSC 399
- 22 | *Peterson v McNallie*, 2024 ABKB 127
- 23 | *R v Mivasair*, 2025 ONCA 2179
- 24 | *R v Nidal*, 2004 CanLII 58286 (QC CM)
- 25 | *Rodman v The United Church of Canada*, 2018 HRT0 538
- 26 | *University of Toronto (Governing Council) v Doe et al*, 2024 ONSC 3755
- 27 | *Vancouver Island University v Kishawi*, 2024 BCSC 1609
- 28 | *X v Students' Society of McGill University*, 2024 QCCS 1879
- 29 | *Zorchinsky c. SPHR Concordia*, 2024 QCCS 3646

BY TOPIC

(A) Administrative law

- 1 | *Canadian Arab Federation v Canada (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration)*, 2015 CAF 168
- 2 | *Farah v Canada (Foreign Affairs)*, 2025 FC 679
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(B) Campus activism

Student-initiated lawsuits

- 1 | *Fried v Students' Society of McGill University*, 2024 QCCS 1381
- 2 | *Medvedovsky v Solidarity for Palestinian Human Rights McGill (SPHR McGill)*, 2024 QCCS 1518
- 3 | *Memorial University (Re)*, 2025 CanLII 27184 (NL IPC)
- 4 | *X v Students' Society of McGill University*, 2024 QCCS 1879
- 5 | *Zorchinsky v SPHR Concordia*, 2024 QCCS 3646

University-initiated lawsuits

- 1 | *McGill University v Students for Palestine's Honour and Resistance McGill*, 2024 QCCS 3671
- 2 | *University of Toronto (Governing Council) v Doe et al*, 2024 ONSC 3755
- 3 | *Vancouver Island University v Kishawi*, 2024 BCSC 1609

(C) Civil lawsuits

- 1 | *Hamza v Law Society of Ontario et al*, 2021 ONSC 4593
- 2 | *Bil'in (Village Council) v Green Park International Inc*, 2009 QCCA 2414

(D) Constitutional rights

- 1 | *Canadian Arab Federation v Canada (Minister of Citizenship and Immigration)*, 2015 CAF 168

(E) Commercial law

- 2 | *Kattenburg v Canada (Attorney General)*, 2019 FC 1003

(F) Criminal law

- 1 | *R v Nidal*, 2004 CanLII 58286 (QC CM)
- 2 | *R v Mivasair*, 2025 ONCA 179

(G) Defamation

- 1 | *Canadian Union of Postal Workers v Quebecor Media Inc*, 2024 ONSC 6484
- 2 | *DeLuca v Foodbenders*, 2023 ONSC 6465
- 3 | *Noble v York University Foundation*, 2010 ONSC 399
- 4 | *Peterson v McNallie*, 2024 ABKB 127

(H) Discrimination

- 1 | *Jazairi v Ontario (Human Rights Commission)*, 1999 CanLII 3744 (ON CA)
- 2 | *Rodman v The United Church of Canada*, 2018 HRTO 538

(I) Injunction applications

- 1 | *Canadian National Railway Company v John Doe, Jane Doe, Persons Unknown*, 2023 NBKB 217
- 2 | *Federation CJA v Independent Jewish Voices Canada Inc*, 2025 QCCS 604
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(J) SLAPP litigation

- 1 | *Lascaris v B'nai Brith Canada*, 2019 ONCA 163
- 2 | *CUPW v B'nai Brith Canada et al*, 2020 ONSC 323

ABOUT

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This guide is meant to provide basic information on legal issues that Palestinian rights activists may face, and tips on how to navigate them. It provides some generally applicable information and some campus-specific information for student activists.

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