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- B.A. English (Honours) Yale University, 1980
- J.D., University of Toronto, 1983

Jeananne Kirwin is an intellectual property and corporate/commercial lawyer of almost 40 years, as well as an award-winning author and community volunteer.

Select legal career highlights, community involvement, and instruction credits

- Appointed Queen's Counsel, March 2016
- Canadian registered trademark agent since 1986; trademark counsel to municipalities and other governmental agencies, utility providers, a chartered bank, small and medium-sized businesses.
- Fellow of the Intellectual Property Institute of Canada (IPIC), 1998-present, member since 1989.
- Instructor, Legal Education Society of Alberta Intellectual Property Law, February 2011.
- Instructor, Legal Profession course, Law Society of Alberta Bar Admission courses, 1991 - 1993.
- Instructor, Writing and Drafting Component, Legal Education Society of Alberta Bar Admission course, 1994 to 1995, and Legal Writing Component, 1994 - 1998.
- Chief Editor, *Canadian Intellectual Property Journal*, IPIC, 2011 - 2013, and 2014 - 2015, Editorial Committee member, *Canadian Intellectual Property Journal*, IPIC, 2003 - 2016.
- Copyright law advocate for literary artists, 2011 - present, including speaking engagements and publication of articles; copyright counsel to numerous authors/writing groups

Select legal, literary, community associations; presentation and publication credits

- Member: Writers' Guild of Alberta, Writers Union of Canada, and Canadian Authors Association
- President, CAA - Alberta Branch, 2009-2012; professional member 2005-present; Regional Director (Alberta/NWT), 2012 - 2019; Chair, Advocacy Committee from 2017-present
- Member, Women's Legal Forum 2013 to present; Gala Co-chair 2018
- Chair, Sign of Hope Campaign; Board member, Catholic Social Services; volunteer 1985-present
- Columnist, "Write/Right" in *WestWord* magazine; over 30 columns published by Writers' Guild of Alberta on topics related to copyright law
- Recipient, Catholic Social Services Lifetime Contribution Award, 2024
- Numerous publications; list available upon request; and see www.jeanannekatholkirwin.ca