

Six Montrealers win Lawyer of the Year title

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2011 Lawyers of the Year from left to right: Mathieu Bouchard, Awatif Lakhdar, Caroline Healey, Annie Émond, Christian Jacques. Absent: Chantal Beaubien.

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Members of the Quebec legal establishment gathered last night at [Scena](#) in Montreal's historic Vieux Port for the 5th annual *Leaders of Tomorrow* awards ceremony organized by l' Association du Jeune Barreau de Montréal. This year's winners of *Lawyer of the Year* title in six categories chosen by a panel of judges and other leaders of the Montreal legal community are:

Corporate law

[Christian Jacques](#), *Fasken Martineau*

In-house Lawyer/ Lawyer working in a government department

[Caroline Healey](#), *International Air Transport Association*

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[Annie Émond](#), *Boro, Polnicky, Lighter*

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[Chantal Beaubien](#) *Cambodians for resource revenue transparency*

Civil and commercial litigation

[Mathieu Bouchard](#), *Irving Mitchell Kalichman*

There were close to 100 nominations this year for the awards that recognize distinction in legal work, leadership, innovation and public or social engagement among the community of lawyers who have less than 10 years of practice experience. (The AJBM has 4,200 members).