Caitlin used to be an evening person. She has, however, become more of a morning person, starting her day with a 45-minute walk to the office. Laying eyes on the city early in the morning provides the necessary energy to kick-start a busy workday.
The day we met, Caitlin had an early start and had already accomplished a lot by mid-morning. Not only did she close a client’s acquisition of a US target, she also finalized the documentation for a company raising money via an equity financing.

Some may wonder whether she closes these deals all by herself? “The files we work on are team efforts”. This morning’s deal brought together two partners, two associates plus a student, as well as numerous in-house specialists sharing their expertise to finalize the deal.

“Having fun in what you do is a really important piece of the puzzle”
Today’s lunch might happen over a file, right before joining a conference call to discuss strategy for an upcoming transaction. Conference calls can happen after regular work hours, but it won’t stop Caitlin from having fun. She’d rather “joke about it to lighten the mood and get things done”.

When asked about her professional inspiration, Caitlin acknowledges the lawyers she worked with early on “who really knew what they were doing, were getting respect from their clients and were fun to be around”.

She considers herself lucky for “being able to gauge her fit with Fasken to a tee”. Her piece of advice to law students is to be authentic and to know themselves well when embarking on this journey. “Paying attention to who you want to work with and learn from is of the essence and will allow a successful start to your career”.

Looking back at her earlier years, she reflects on her growing ability to manage expectations. She believes that having some control over your files, paired with a strong ability to anticipate issues is what makes one a better lawyer.

“Things pick up and go to “pens down” at a drop of a hat and you have to be ready to react in real time”
Time is flying and Caitlin needs to head back and draft a shareholders agreement for a client. She admits being a “deal junkie” and although the job requires some last minute requests that may affect her schedule, she loves the position she’s in. Continuously thriving to be a trusted advisor to clients, she enjoys supporting them throughout every stage of their business growth. Caitlin firmly believes that the more you learn about a business, the better you are at recommending the best course of action.

“Being engaged in the community makes you a whole person. It also helps you take your mind off things and enables you to refocus”
The day is coming to an end and Caitlin is getting ready to put on stilettos instead of her famous running shoes. She is highly involved in the community and enjoys giving back. Tonight, she’s meeting with fellow young professionals to discuss upcoming fundraiser activities for the St. Mary’s Hospital Foundation. See you tomorrow at dawn!
Caitlin Rose’s
FAVOURITES

A PLACE
Montreal! Just big enough, great food, lots of culture.

A DISH
Grilled cheese. Who doesn’t like grilled cheese?

A MOVIE
“A League of Their Own”. A great movie about a baseball team. Girl power!

A SONG
“One Day More” (Les Miserables) it’s a great song!

AN OBJECT
Running shoes. They will get you anywhere.

A BOOK
“Charlotte” (David Foenkinos): a fantastic yet extremely sad and moving novel and “The Handmaid’s Tale” (Margaret Atwood), my all-time favorite.

A PLAN B
I have always had a strong interest for business since a young age. I would definitely be heading operations or business integration somewhere... and most probably in Montreal!

A SUPERPOWER
Flying! Can you imagine running full speed, jumping and taking off?! (hence the need for running shoes!).