

BLG reaffirms market leadership with 181 rankings in Chambers Canada 2026 Guide

National (September 25, 2025) - BLG secured 181 rankings in the *Chambers Canada* 2026 Guide, including 127 lawyers and 54 practice groups, demonstrating our comprehensive legal expertise across the country. With BLG, clients gain access to some of Canada's top trusted advisers with proven strength in areas most critical to their businesses.

Chambers Canada is widely regarded as the gold standard for legal rankings in Canada, conducting rigorous independent research and thousands of interviews with clients and peers. This methodology ensures rankings reflect the qualities clients value most: technical skill, business acumen, and outstanding service delivery.

Leading with excellence across 12 Band 1 practice areas

BLG earned Band 1 recognition in 12 practice areas, including newly elevated rankings in Arbitration, where we support our clients in complex proceedings, and in our Corporate/M&A and Competition/Antitrust practices, reflecting our pivotal role in the transactions that drive Canada's economy.

Our Band 1 practice areas

- Charities/Non-profits (Nationwide - Canada)
- Construction (Nationwide - Canada)
- Corporate/Commercial: Highly Regarded (Alberta)
- Dispute Resolution: Arbitration (Nationwide - Canada)
- Employment & Labour (Nationwide - Canada)
- Employment & Labour (Québec)
- Healthcare: Contentious (Nationwide - Canada)
- Healthcare: Corporate/Commercial & Regulatory (Nationwide - Canada)
- Investment Funds (Nationwide - Canada)
- Litigation: Administrative & Public Law (Ontario)
- Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use (Ontario)
- Transportation: Shipping (Nationwide - Canada)

Individual Band 1 excellence recognized coast to coast

- [Victoria Prince](#) - Charities/Non-profits (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Richard H. Shaban](#) - Construction (Nationwide - Canada)
- [The Honourable Dennis O'Connor, O.C., O.Ont. K.C.](#) - Dispute Resolution: Most in Demand Arbitrators (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Danny J. Kaufer, Ad. E.](#) - Employment & Labour (Québec)

- [Kathleen McDormand](#) - General Business Law (Northern Canada and Arctic)
- [Nick G. Pasquino](#) - Healthcare: Corporate/Commercial & Regulatory (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Lynn McGrade](#) - Investment Funds (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Guy J. Pratte](#) - Litigation: Administrative & Public Law (Ontario)
- [Nadia Effendi](#) - Litigation: Administrative & Public Law (Ontario)
- [Robert J.C. Deane](#) - Litigation: General Commercial (British Columbia)
- [Glenn Zakaib](#) - Litigation: Product Liability (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Robert L. Love](#) - Litigation: Product Liability (Nationwide - Canada)
- [David Di Paolo](#) - Litigation: Securities (Ontario)
- [Pitman Patterson](#) - Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use (Ontario)
- [Jean-Marie Fontaine](#) - Transportation: Shipping (Nationwide - Canada)

Significant growth to support our clients' needs

This year's significant growth, including 14 new lawyer rankings and 30 practice advancements, emphasizes the expanding capabilities and deep bench of talent on which our clients depend for their most critical matters.

Recognizing tomorrow's leaders

Our commitment to developing exceptional legal talent is evident in the recognition of our next generation: 13 lawyers were named "Up and Coming" partners and 5 received "Associates to Watch" designations across areas including corporate/commercial, privacy and data protection, restructuring/insolvency, and investment funds.

Up and Coming partners

- [Julie Bogle](#) - Corporate/ Commercial (British Columbia)
- [Katherine Carre](#) - Charities/Non-profits (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Eric S. Charleston](#) - Privacy & Data Protection (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Loni da Costa](#) - Litigation: General Commercial (Alberta)
- [James Fu](#) - Pensions & Benefits (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Adina Georgescu](#) - Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use (Québec)
- [Ian Graf](#) - Real Estate (British Columbia)
- [Ryan Laity](#) - Restructuring/Insolvency (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Roma Lotay](#) - Investment Funds: Fund Formation (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Cherie Mah](#) - Banking & Finance (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Hugh A. Meighen](#) - Dispute Resolution: Arbitration (Nationwide - Canada)
- [Mario Rubio](#) - Real Estate (British Columbia)
- [Graham Splawski](#) - Litigation: Securities (Ontario)

Associates to Watch

- [Noah Burshtein](#) - Employment & Labour (Ontario)
- [Marie-Pier Emery](#) - Employment & Labour (Québec)
- [Lee English](#) - Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use (Ontario)
- [Galen Flaherty](#) - Gaming & Licensing (Nationwide - Canada)

- [Shane Morganstein](#) - Privacy & Data Protection (Nationwide - Canada)

The complete list of BLG lawyers recognized in the *Chambers Canada* 2026 Guide can be found on [the Chambers website](#). We are proud of these recognitions and thank our clients for their continued partnership and trust.

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