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Construction Disputes
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Raphael represents clients in complex construction, commercial and product liability disputes. He routinely appears before all levels of court in Alberta, the Saskatchewan Court of King's Bench and various domestic and international arbitration panels.

Raphael helps clients navigate:

- **Construction and arbitration:** Acting for sureties, owners, contractors and design professionals in disputes involving contract interpretation, negligence, delays and builders' liens;
- **Commercial litigation:** Resolving partnership and shareholder conflicts, breach of contract claims and employment disputes; and
- **Product liability:** Defending large manufacturers, designers and distributors against complex liability claims.

Experience

- Assisted with international arbitral proceedings relating to pipeline construction delays in excess of C$100 million
- Assisted a major Canadian bank with a duty to defend finding before the Alberta Court of Appeal
- Assisted a First Nation with a complex construction claim against a home developer
- Settled a number of product liability claims against vehicle manufacturers on a without costs basis

Insights & Events

- Author, "Alberta Court of Appeal clarifies the scope of pure economic loss in construction negligence claims", BLG Article, October 2026
- Contributor, "Construction Law Letter (Vol. 42)", LexisNexis, June 2026
- Author, "Insurance Legal Ledger: BLG's business insurance newsletter (Winter 2026)", BLG Article, February 2026
- Contributor, "Risk Management in Canadian Education (Vol. 26)", LexisNexus, February 2026
- Author, "Ontario's top court finds school board not liable in bullying claim", BLG Article, January 2026
- Author, "Insurance Legal Ledger: BLG's business insurance newsletter (Fall 2025)", BLG Article, September 2025
- Author, "Standstill agreement: Alberta decision finds advance in coverage action constitutes advance in main action", BLG Article, September 2025
- Panelist, "Subrogation & Fire Losses in Alberta," Industry Event, September 2024
- Author, "Interpreting detection provisions in pollution insurance: Insight from the Court of Appeal of Alberta", BLG Article, August 2024
- Author, "Navigating liability: Lessons from Mitchell v Manson in waiver applicability", BLG Article, May 2024
- Presenter, "Update to Cost Awards in Alberta & Ontario: Dorah and Olatiregun", CBA Insurance Law Section, September 2023
- Master of Ceremonies, Federation of Asian Canadian Lawyers "Diversity in the City Gala", September 2022
- Presenter, Case Commentary: Pavlovic v The Owners, Strata Plan LMS 2211, CBA Insurance Law Section, September 2022
- Autonomous vehicle laws in the States: Congress offers hope for national regulatory framework, BLG Perspective, June 2022
- Co-author, "Alberta courts to insurers: 'Don't talk to the police'" The Lawyer's Daily - Lexis Nexis, June 2022
- Moderator, "The New Normal: Practicing Law in the Digital Age" panel, June 2022
- Author, "Wrongful life claims: an update from the SCC", BLG Article, June 2022
- Author, "Insurance investigators: Be on guard when sharing info with police," Canadian Underwriter, May 5, 2022
- Co-Author, "Be clearer with limitation periods, appeal court tells insurers," Canadian Underwriter, May 2, 2022
- Author, "Ontario court grants Anton Piller Order in cryptocurrency heist", BLG Article, May 2022
- Author, "Alberta Courts limit insurers' ability to share information with police", BLG Article, April 2022
- Author, "Insurers to advise policyholders of Limitations Act deadlines in Alberta", BLG Article, April 2022
- Moderator, Spotlight on the Legal Profession - Pride @ Work panel, December 2021

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Board Member, CBA Alberta
- Member, Law Society of Alberta
- Member, Law Society of Saskatchewan

Community Involvement

- Former Board Member, Federation of Asian Canadian Lawyers (Western)
- Co-Chair, Canadian Bar Association, Insurance Law Section (Alberta South)
- Former Chair, Canadian Bar Association Young Lawyers Section
- Former Member, Law Society of Alberta - Lawyer Competence Advisory Committee

Awards & Recognition

- Recognized in the 2027 edition (and since 2022) of *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada* (Insurance Law & Corporate and Commercial Litigation)

Bar Admission & Education

- Saskatchewan, 2024
- Alberta, 2018

- JD, Osgoode Hall Law School, 2017
- BA (Honours), University of Calgary, 2013

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