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Expropriation
Municipal Law
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In his **expropriation** practice, Liviu provides advice to both public and private sector clients.

Liviu has extensive experience working with municipalities on transit, highway and infrastructure projects, including all facets of **land acquisition** and resolution of compensation.

Liviu conducts negotiations relating to various commercial and land-use planning, expropriation and property matters.

Liviu also has experience providing large infrastructure project procurement, administration, construction and implementation advice.

In addition to his work with municipalities, Liviu works with different groups throughout expropriation law and infrastructure, including:

- school boards
- land developers
- builders
- expropriated land owners
- tenants

Liviu acted as in-house counsel to an Ontario municipality for four years in relation to a major public infrastructure project.

Prior to joining BLG, Liviu maintained a robust practice at a national full-service firm.

Insights & Events

- Author, "Determination of costs under the Expropriations Act: Case law update", BLG Article, February 2020
- Co-Author, "Mortgages & Expropriations: A Refresher", Ontario Bar Association, January 17, 2020
- Author, "Bill 108 Development Charge Changes", BLG Article, May 2019

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Bar Association
- Ontario Expropriation Association

Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2027 edition (and since 2023) of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* (Expropriation Law and Municipal Law)
- Recognized in the 2026 edition (and since 2023) of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* (Property Development)
- Recognized in the 2023 edition of *Lexpert® Special Edition: Infrastructure*

Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 2007

- JD, University of Toronto, 2006
- MA, in International Relations, University of Toronto, 2002
- BA (Hons.) in History, University of Waterloo, 2001

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