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John's practice focuses on all aspects of **construction law** and **commercial litigation** .

He advises clients in a variety of construction-related matters, including course of construction management and dispute resolution, litigating lien, trust, delay, deficiency and warranty claims. John handles labour, material payment, performance and bid bond disputes and a variety of construction insurance and professional liability disputes.

In addition to his construction practice, John advises clients in a variety of commercial disputes. His acts for clients in the following areas:

- shareholder and oppression litigation
- real property and development disputes
- commercial leasing disputes
- banking and insolvency litigation
- civil fraud and debtor/creditors disputes

His disputes practice includes enforcing or defending the rights of parties to various domestic and international commercial agreements. This includes agreements of purchase and sale, guarantees, indemnities, leases, conditional sales contracts, mortgages and warranties

Insights & Events

- Author, "The New Ontario Dispute Adjudication for Construction Contracts", BLG Article, September 2019
- Co-author, "Exploring some of the potential risks of the Trans-Pacific Partnership," Construction Canada, March 2016

Beyond our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member, Law Society of Upper Canada
- Member, Ontario Bar Association
- Member, County of Carleton Law Association
- Member, The Advocates' Society
- Associate Professor of Law, Civil Procedure, University of Ottawa

Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2022 edition of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* (Construction Law).
- Recognized in the 2022 edition of *Lexpert Special Edition: Infrastructure*

Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 2001
- LLB, University of Ottawa, 1999
- BA, University of Toronto, 1998

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