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Jean-Charles practices within our Construction group. He has a particular interest in issues related to surety law, construction law, and the professional liability of engineers.

As such, Jean-Charles advises and represents leading real estate developers, general contractors, and consulting engineering firms through complex mandates. His expertise extends to legal hypothecs, construction defects, and contractors' claims for additional work and impact costs.

He also assists surety companies in all aspects of their operations, including handling claims under performance bonds and labour and material payment bonds.

Jean-Charles is known not only for offering legal advice but also for approaching each mandate strategically, aiming to best assist his clients with their own distinctive needs. A proactive and invested listener, he makes sure to understand each client’s operations and objectives before tailoring innovative solutions to their ambitions. Whether in providing advice on large-scale construction projects or helping to overcome regulatory hurdles, he strives to identify creative ways to mitigate risks and promote the long-term success of his clients' projects.

Jean-Charles also participates in preparing litigation files, and pleads before all judicial courts in Québec.

Insights & Events

- Speaker, «Des leviers puissants pour les entrepreneurs et leur caution : tirer parti du Règlement sur les paiements rapides», Séance de formation, Regroupement québécois du cautionnement, November 2025
- Co-author, "Erreurs ou omissions des professionnels, toujours sources de responsabilité civile ?," Développements récents en droit de la construction, vol. 535, 2023 (in French)
- Co-presenter, "Comment maximiser les chances de succès de votre médiation," Canadian Bar Association - Québec section, June 2023
- Co-presenter, "Experts et résolution des litiges en matière de construction - Comment optimiser la rencontre entre experts dans un litige judiciaire?," 2023 edition, BLG conference

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member, Barreau du Québec
- Member, The Young Bar of Montréal
- Member, Executive Committee of the Canadian Bar Association's Young Lawyers Section, Québec Branch

Community Involvement

- Director, Regroupement québécois du cautionnement

Awards & Recognition

- Recognized in the 2027 edition (and since 2025) of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* - Ones to Watch (Construction Law)

Bar Admission & Education

- Québec, 2017

- LL.B., Université de Sherbrooke, 2016
- MBA, Université de Sherbrooke, 2016

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