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Churyl runs a land development and expropriation practice. She advises developers, individuals and municipal boards on a wide range of related matters. Churyl appears at hearings and mediations; drafts bylaws, policies, statutory plans, and decisions; provides input on drawings; and negotiates agreements and settlements.

Churyl is known for incisive, to-the-point writing and presentations. She is highly collaborative with clients, consultants, and other parties, often finding common ground and developing creative solutions.

Churyl articulated with the Regional Municipality of Peel and worked with the Federal Department of Justice, Regulatory Law, Class Actions Group in Ontario and British Columbia.

In Alberta, she joined a regional firm as a municipal and administrative law research associate, and then ran a solo practice contracting to municipal and class actions law firms for five years. Churyl added expropriations to her practice when she joined BLG in 2013.

Experience

- Intermunicipal dispute hearing in which the Municipal Government Board suspended all development in the Area Structure Plan, save for client's project.

- Cannabis store permit applications, appeals, and related lease and transfer issues in Calgary and across Alberta.
- Controversial assisted living development permit appeal; development opened in 2019.
- Reported Municipal and Planning Decisions:
 - SDAB2020-0046 (Re), 2020 CGYSDAB 46 (CanLII) (residence)
 - Rylands Capital Group Inc. v City of Calgary (Subdivision Authority), 2020 ABMGB 30 (subdivision)
 - SDAB2019-0075 (Re), 2019 CGYSDAB 75 (residence)
 - Airdrie (City) v 803969 Alberta Ltd, 2020 ABQB 114 (property assessment)
 - SDAB2019-0019 (Re), 2019 CGYSDAB 19 (residence)
 - SDAB2018-0189 (Re), 2018 CGYSDAB 189 (cannabis store)
 - *City of Calgary v Rocky View County (re: Rocky View County Bylaw C-7700-2017 the Omni Area Structure Plan)*, 2018 ABMGB 68
 - SDAB2018-0062 (Re), 2018 CGYSDAB 62 (cannabis store)
 - SDAB2017-0109 (Re), 2017 CGYSDAB 109 (condominium building)
 - SDAB2017-0067 (Re), 2017 CGYSDAB 67 (daycare)
 - SDAB2017-0039 (Re), 2017 CGYSDAB 39 (bottle depot)
 - *March v Evans*, 2017 ABQB 200 (restrictive covenant)
 - SDAB2016-0037 (Re), 2016 CGYSDAB 37 (residence)
 - SDAB2016-0030 (Re), 2016 CGYSDAB 30 (residence)
 - SDAB2015-0142 (Re), 2015 CGYSDAB 142 (Calgary Drop-In & Rehab Centre Society Centre 4800 development permit)
 - SDAB2015-0004 (Re), 2016 CGYSDAB 4 (retaining wall)
 - SDAB2015-0160 (Re), 2015 CGYSDAB 160 (residence)
 - SDAB2015-0044 (Re), 2015 CGYSDAB 44 (retaining wall)
 - SDAB2015-0012 (Re), 2015 CGYSDAB 12 (daycare)
 - SDAB2014-0121 (Re), 2014 CGYSDAB 121 (residence)
 - SDAB2014-0100 (Re), 2014 CGYSDAB 100 (digital sign)
 - SDAB2014-0031 (Re), 2014 CGYSDAB 31 (residence)
 - *Maduke v. Leduc* (County No. 25), 2010 ABCA 331
 - *Maduke v. Leduc* (County No. 25), 2009 ABCA 382

Insights & Events

- Co-Presenter, BILD Changing Landscapes Conference, Legal Panel
- Speaker, “Cannabis Panel,” Alberta Municipal Legal Advisors Conference, May 2019
- Co-author, “AB ruling reminds service firms to first obtain municipal permits,” Environment and Policy Law, May 2015
- Co-author, “Alberta Court of Appeal Decision a Reminder of the Importance of Municipal Approvals Prior to Oil & Gas Operations,” The Resource: BLG Energy Law Blog, May 2015

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member, Law Society of Alberta
- Member, Calgary Bar Association

- Member, BILD Calgary
- Member, CREW Network (Commercial Real Estate Women).
- Alberta Expropriation Association Member, Past President
- Vice-Chair, Municipal Section (South), Alberta Branch Member, Canadian Bar Association, Past Secretary
- Member, Commercial Real Estate Section (South), Alberta Branch, Canadian Bar Association
- Co-Chair, Alberta Municipal Legal Advisors Conference, 2017, 2020
- Volunteer Evaluator, CPLED Interviewing and Advising Competency Evaluations, Legal Education Society of Alberta

Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2021 edition (and since 2018) of *Chambers Canada — Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business* (Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use: Alberta)

Bar Admission & Education

- Alberta, 2004
- British Columbia, 2003
- Ontario, 2000
- LLB, University of Alberta, 1998
- BA, University of Alberta, 1994

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