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Marc-André advises clients on insurance, professional liability and construction litigation. He handles coverage determinations in property and casualty and cyber insurance, defends insurers in complex class actions, and represents professional firms in contractual liability and errors and omissions cases.

He acts for insurers and insureds in the context of complex coverage disputes or in defending liability claims stemming from insurance losses. He has been actively involved in various class actions initiated against insurers in the wake of COVID-19.

Marc-André has argued before all levels of courts in Québec in the context of small or large claims. He has handled countless examinations and mediations over the years, working to achieve his client's objectives.

With his solid background in construction law, Marc-André also acts for various clients in this sector, focusing on professional liability for engineers.

Marc-André taught insurance law at University of Montréal in 2022. He also heads the specialized insurance coverage subgroup in BLG's Montréal office.

Marc-André is a sought-after speaker and provides continuous and frequent training to insurers and other insurance market players. He is also very active with industry organizations such as the CBA's National Insurance Law section, the CBA-Québec's Insurance Law and Civil Litigation section and the Association of Consulting Engineering Companies.

Experience

- Represented insurers in class actions, notably in the following cases:
    - *Centre de santé dentaire Gendron Delisle inc. v. La Personnelle, assurances générales inc.*, (2021 QCCA 1758);
    - *Tessier v. Economical, compagnie mutuelle d'assurance* (2023 QCCA 688);
    - Workman Optometry Professional Corporation v. Certas Home and Auto Insurance Company, (2024 ONCA 479);
    - *Genereux et al. v. Intact Compagnie d'assurance* (ongoing).
- Provides counsel and compliance review in relation to Bill 96 impacts for insurers.
- Acts for engineers in professional liability or fees disputes and provide general counsel and opinion to the industry on new regulations impacting engineering firms.
- Represents developers, contractors, sub-contractors, suppliers of materials and insurers in construction-related disputes and losses.
- Has particular experience in bodily injury claims, particularly those connecting with the safety of facilities, manufactured goods and/or buildings.

Insights & Events

- Author, "Riddle v. ivari: SCC rules on the annulment of a declaration of death in life insurance claims", BLG Article, April 2026
- Author, "Insurance Legal Ledger: BLG's business insurance newsletter (Winter 2026)", BLG Article, February 2026
- Co-Author, "Développements récents en droit des assurances, volume 564," L'obligation de défendre certaines injonctions : l'affaire Noyrigat, Barreau du Québec, December 2024
- Author, "The Tessier case: The Court of Appeal refuses to authorize an insurance-related class action", BLG Article, April 2024
- Author, "Business interruption loss claims and COVID-19: What is the situation in Québec in 2024?", BLG Article, March 2024
- Moderator, "Automobile Insurance across Canada," CBA's Webinar, February 2023
- Author, "Business interruption claims in the context of COVID-19: first Appeal decision in Canada", BLG Article, December 2021
- Author, "Business interruption insurance in Canada: Québec dentists denied claims", BLG Article, September 2021
- Co-Author, " Volume 505 - Développements récents en droit des assurances," (French only), Case law review 2019-2021, Barreau du Québec, December 2021

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Professional Involvement

- Member, Jeune Barreau de Montréal
- President, Canadian Bar Association, National Insurance Section (2021-2022) (Vice president and Secretary in 2020-2021 and 2019-2020)
- Member of the executive, Canadian Bar Association-Québec, Insurance and civil law section (2023-ongoing)

- Member, Legal affairs committee of the Association des firmes de génie-conseil du Québec (Québec engineering firms association) (2021-ongoing)
- Main Writer, Lloyd's Market Association bulletin on Canadian developments, (2020-2023)

Awards & Recognition

- Recognized in the 2027 edition of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* (Insurance Law) and as "Ones to Watch" (Insurance Law) in the 2024-2026 editions
- Recognized in the 2026 edition (and since 2025) of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory* (Litigation - Commercial Insurance).

Bar Admission & Education

- Québec, 2013

- LLB, Université de Montréal, 2012
- BA (joint degree) Comparative Literature and Cinematographic Studies, Université de Montréal, 2009

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