# BLG ranked among the best lawyers and law firms in the Chambers Canada 2025 Guide

**National (September 26, 2024)** – Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (BLG) has once again been recognized as a legal leader by clients, peers and the editors at Chambers and Partners.

In the *Chambers Canada 2025 Guide*, the firm received 178 rankings — 123 lawyer rankings and 55 practice group rankings — a continuation of last year's strong results. The firm has 22 new rankings this year (11 more than 2024) and 19 improved rankings (6 more than 2024).

The firm has also been nominated as **Firm of the Year** for:

- Employment Law Firm of the Year
- Projects and Energy Law Firm of the Year

Chambers uses the most rigorous and in-depth independent research process of any legal directory to identify and rank the best law firms and lawyers.

BLG is ranked Band 1 (top tier) in 12 practice areas:

- Charities/Non-profits – Nationwide – Canada
- Construction – Nationwide – Canada
- Corporate/Commercial: Highly Regarded – Alberta
- Corporate Commercial: Highly Regarded – Ontario
- Employment & Labour – Nationwide – Canada
- Employment & Labour – Québec
- Healthcare: Contentious – Nationwide – Canada
- Healthcare: Corporate/Commercial & Regulatory – Nationwide – Canada
- Investment Funds – Nationwide - Canada
- Litigation: Administrative & Public Law – Ontario
- Real Estate: Zoning and Land Use – Ontario
- Transportation: Shipping – Nationwide – Canada

The following 12 lawyers are ranked Band 1:

- David Di Paolo, Litigation, Securities – Ontario
- Jean-Marie Fontaine, Transportation: Shipping – Nationwide – Canada
- Danny Kaufer, Employment & Labour – Québec
- Robert Love, Litigation: Product Liability – Nationwide – Canada
- Kathleen McDormand, General Business Law – Northern Canada and Arctic
- Lynn McGrade, Investment Funds – Nationwide – Canada
- Dennis O'Connor, Dispute Resolution: Most in Demand Arbitrators – Nationwide – Canada

- Pitman Patterson, Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use – Ontario (new Band 1 ranking)
- Guy Pratte, Litigation: Administrative & Public Law – Ontario
- Victoria Prince, Charities/Non-profits – Nationwide – Canada
- Richard Shaban, Construction – Nationwide – Canada
- Glenn Zakaib, Litigation: Product Liability – Nationwide – Canada

In recognition of the quality of the advocacy skills and business acumen of BLG's next generation, 13 lawyers have been identified as Up and Coming partners:

- Suhuyini Abudulai, Banking & Finance: Financial Services Regulation – Nationwide – Canada
- Julie Bogle, Corporate/Commercial – British Columbia
- Katherine Carre, Charities/Non-profits – Nationwide – Canada
- Loni da Costa, Litigation: General Commercial – Alberta
- Brandon Evenson, Intellectual Property – Nationwide – Canada
- Ian Graf, Real Estate – British Columbia
- Louise Lee, Corporate/Commercial – Alberta
- Roma Lotay, Investment Funds: Fund Formation – Nationwide – Canada
- Michelle Maniago, Dispute Resolution: Class Action (Defence) – Nationwide – Canada
- Sarah McEachern, Dispute Resolution: Arbitration – Nationwide – Canada
- Hugh Meighen, Dispute Resolution: Arbitration – Nationwide - Canada
- Graham Splawski, Litigation: Securities – Nationwide – Canada
- Edona Vila, Litigation: Product Liability – Nationwide – Canada

In addition, four lawyers have been selected as Associates to Watch:

- Noah Burshtein, Employment & Labour – Ontario
- Lee English, Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use – Ontario
- Galen Flaherty, Gaming & Licensing – Nationwide – Canada
- Shane Morganstein, Privacy & Data Protection – Nationwide – Canada

The full list of BLG lawyers recognized in the *Chambers Canada 2025 Guide* is available on the Chambers website.

Chambers Canada rankings are determined by a team of full-time researchers who conduct interviews with lawyers and clients worldwide. With the help of Chambers' editors, these researchers identify and rank Canada's best lawyers and law firms in the areas most valued by clients, including technical expertise, business acumen, prompt delivery and value for money.

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