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Industries & Expertise

INDUSTRIES

Banking and Financial Services | Manufacturing |
Real Estate | Transportation & Logistics

EXPERTISE

Arbitration & Mediation | Administrative & Public
Law | Commercial Litigation

Biography

BAR ADMISSION

Ontario, 1984

EDUCATION

- LL.B., Western University, 1981

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English

Douglas F. Best brings decades of experience in corporate fraud asset recovery and commercial litigation at Miller Thomson. With an extensive background in general contractual claims and disputes, Doug's experience spans various industries such as transportation and real estate, and financial services. Doug focuses on asset recovery on behalf of corporate fraud victims through urgent injunction proceedings. He offers sound legal guidance based on his in-depth knowledge. Doug is also a Harvard-trained mediator in respect of commercial

disputes.

Doug's commitment to legal education is evident through his contributions to legal publications and presentations. Doug continues to share his knowledge and experience through speaking engagements on asset recovery and corporate fraud. Doug is also a guest University lecturer on legal topics, including professional ethics and responsibilities.

Active in various legal associations, Doug has been acknowledged as a standout lawyer and earned accolades in corporate and commercial litigation from numerous reputable industry sources.

Industry involvement

Recognition

- *Lexology Index, Canada Guide* – National Leader; Canada – Asset Recovery, 2022 – 2024
- *Recognized as a Thomson Reuters Stand-out lawyer*, 2023-2025
- *The Best Lawyers in Canada* – Corporate and Commercial Litigation, 2016 – 2023
- *Who's Who Legal, Canada Guide* – National Leader; Canada – Asset Recovery, 2022 – 2023
- Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory, Litigation – Corporate Commercial, 2021
- *Who's Who Legal: Canada, Asset Recovery*, recognized as one of the 12 top practitioners in Canada, 2017 – 2018
- Canadian Board Diversity Council (CBDC) Level II Certified, 2017
- Winner of Client Choice award in Litigation, 2016
- Fellow, Litigation Counsel of America (by invitation)

Thought leadership

- *Getting the Deal Through, Asset Recovery (Canadian Chapter)*, 2015
- *Winning for the Carrier: Avoiding the Palm Tree (Again)*, The Canadian Transport Lawyers' Association Annual Convention, 2013
- *Norwich Orders: a Tool for Tracing and Protecting Assets When Having Fallen Victim to Fraud, Corporate Liability*, 2011

Corporate directorships

- Director, Mainfreight Inc.
- Board of Directors, The Canadian Centre for Diversity and Inclusion (former)
- Director, The Canadian Transport Lawyers Association (former)

Memberships & affiliations

- Trial Law Institute
- Diversity Law Institute
- ADR Institute of Canada (ADRIC)
- ADR Institute of Ontario, Inc. (ADRIO)
- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Bar Association
- Toronto Lawyers Association
- The Canadian Transport Lawyers Association
- The Lawyers Transportation Association (U.S.)
- The Advocates' Society
- Association of Certified Fraud Examiners – Toronto Chapter
- The Association of Certified Forensic Investigators of Canada