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Industries & Expertise

INDUSTRIES

Construction and Infrastructure

EXPERTISE

Real Estate | Commercial Litigation |
Construction Litigation

Biography

BAR ADMISSION

Ontario, 2002

EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Laws, University of Western Ontario, 2001
- Bachelor of Arts (Hons.), University of Toronto, 1997

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English

Michael Arbutina brings over 20 years of experience to his practice in commercial and construction litigation, with a focus on construction liens, shareholder disputes, real estate/lease enforcement, debt collection, breach of contract claims and class action defence. Viewed by his clients as a trusted advisor, they call on him

for general advice with respect to all aspects of their business. Known for his candid and pragmatic legal advice and solutions, Michael handles urgent matters like lien registrations and injunctions, representing a diverse clientele including builders, contractors, landlords, and tenants both in court and regulatory settings.

Michael's industry engagement, including the co-authorship of a Canadian Consulting Engineer Magazine article on the lienability of prefabricated modular buildings, demonstrates his commitment to remaining informed and engaged within his legal practice.

Michael is an active member of professional bodies including the Law Society of Ontario, Canadian Bar Association, and Ontario Bar Association. Recognized for his deep knowledge and experience, he has been listed in The Best Lawyers in Canada for construction law and in the Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory for litigation – corporate commercial.

Industry involvement

Recognition

- *The Best Lawyers in Canada* – Construction Law, 2021-2025
- Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory, Litigation – Corporate Commercial, 2020

Thought leadership

- Co-author, "Legal: Are prefabricated modular buildings lienable?", Canadian Consulting Engineer Magazine, July/August 2021

Memberships & affiliations

- Law Society of Ontario
- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Bar Association