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Industries & Expertise

INDUSTRIES

Construction and Infrastructure

EXPERTISE

Construction Litigation | Tax Controversy and Disputes Resolution

Biography

BAR ADMISSION

Ontario, 1997

EDUCATION

- LL.M., Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, 2001
- LL.B., University of Ottawa, 1995
- B.A., York University, 1992
- CICA In Depth Tax Program (Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants), 1990

Sam De Caprio brings over two decades of diverse legal experience to the table, focusing on trial advocacy and commercial arbitration. He navigates clients through complex business disputes, particularly in areas like shareholder conflicts, breach of trust cases, and tax litigation. With a deep commitment to protecting the rights of individuals and corporations, Sam thrives on defending his clients' interests.

Through his mentoring of young lawyers in trial advocacy and contributing to educational programs, such as forensic accounting at Osgoode Hall Law School, Sam upholds his commitment to professional development. An advocate for practice innovation, Sam plays a pivotal role in implementing ISO standards in legal services, demonstrating his forward-thinking approach in blending technology with legal practice.

Membership in the Law Society of Ontario and active involvement in legal communities like The Advocates' Society underscore Sam's knowledge, experience and reputation. Recognized by The Best Lawyers in Canada

and The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory for his outstanding contributions to corporate and commercial litigation, Sam's track record speaks volumes about his prowess in the legal arena.

Industry involvement

Recognition

- The Best Lawyers in Canada Corporate and Commercial Litigation, 2020 2025
- The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory, Litigation Corporate Commercial, 2019 2021

Thought leadership

Sam is committed to continuing legal education, and helps train young lawyers in the area of trial advocacy. He has lectured on forensic accounting and the Law at Osgoode Hall Law School, and participated as an instructor at the University of Toronto in the Department of Investigative and Forensic Accounting (DIFA Program). Sam is active in various educational training courses focused on Canada/U.S. trial practice and procedure, and helps mentor young lawyers practicing civil and commercial litigation.

Sam is committed to practice innovation and new developments in technology and the law. He helped develop and implement ISO standard designations for the provision of legal services. As part of this initiative, Sam served as an ISO compliance auditor focused on file management protocol and procedure.

Notable Matters

During the course of his career Sam has been counsel to clients in a number of reported cases including:

- Vigin G.F.R. Holdings Ltd. v. Kinder Care, 2018 ONSC (Ont. S.C.J).
- Ahmad v. 1288124 Ontario Inc., 2012 Carswell Ont 3531.
- Korea Data Systems Co. v. Chiang, 2010 Carswell Ont 9636.
- Kimvar Enterprises Inc., Re, 2009 Carswell Ont 666.
- Rizmi Holdings Limited v. Vaughan (City), 2009 Carswell Ont 2876.
- Geranium Corp. v. Brasseur, 2008 Carswell Ont 5553.
- Kimvar Enterprises Inc. v. Nextnine Ltd., 2010 Carswell Ont 2539.
- Kimvar Enterprises Inc. v. Simcoe (County), 2008 Carswell Ont 6530.
- Huron-Wendat Nation v. Ontario (Municipal Board), 2008 Carswell Ont 968.
- Alternate Energy Corporation v. Rothman, 2007 Carswell Ont 7119.
- Goodman v. Rumm, 2007 Carswell Ont 5830.
- SAAN Stores Ltd./Magasins SAAN Ltée, Re 2005 Carswell Ont 1482.

- R. v. Ontario Realty Corporation, 2004 Carswell Ont 6604.
- Robson, Re, 2002 Carswell Ont 1040.
- C.C. Petroleum Ltd. v. Allen, 2002 Carswell Ont 2375.
- Jones v. Parry Sound West Home for the Aged, 2002 Carswell Ont 4313.

Community roles

Sam is actively engaged in youth sports and volunteers his time as a Boys Junior Hockey Coach with the GTHL. Sam is also involved in charitable fundraising, is an advocate for the elderly and a patient representative at a local area hospital.

Memberships & affiliations

- The Law Society of Ontario
- The Advocates' Society
- The Ontario Bar Association
- The Canadian Bar Association
- The Canadian Tax Foundation