

Wayne Egan speaks to CBA National Magazine about optimism among law firm leaders as business ramps up

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Wayne Egan, Managing Partner at WeirFoulds LLP, recently provided comment to the *CBA National Magazine*'s Jennifer Brown on the topic of optimism among law firm leaders as business ramps up amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

The article discusses how Canadian mid and large-sized firms are focusing on 2021 as many see steady or increased activity in work that kept several firms busy in the early days of shutdown. Others see positive signs of revival in work that had reduced significantly in the past months.

"The good news for us is we've remained busy. We will continue to focus on litigation, municipal, trusts and estates, construction law, commercial real estate and leasing, private equity and securities on the corporate side and our general regulatory practice," says Wayne.

But maintaining firm culture with a lack of in-person interactions is something many firms are concerned about.

"The challenge generally is how do you keep people engaged when you don't have that face-to-face contact?" says Wayne. "You have to be sure to pick up the phone and not rely on texts and emails."

He mentions that while work remains steady at the firm, he is concerned about everyone continuing to work in isolation with about 15 per cent of lawyers in the office right now.

Visit the <u>nationalmagazine.ca</u> to read the full article.



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