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## WeirFoulds Partner Glenn Ackerley comments on Ontario *Construction Act* review in *Daily Commercial News*

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Partner Glenn Ackerley, Chair of WeirFoulds' Construction Practice Group, was quoted in <u>an article</u> written by Angela Gismondi for *Daily Commercial News* on March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

The article follows the Attorney General of Ontario's recently announced review of Ontario's *Construction Act*, being undertaken by well-known construction lawyer, Duncan Glaholt. To date, Glenn has been pivotal in efforts to revise the Act, having submitted to the Attorney General's office over 80 recommendations for improvements to the Act in 2023 on behalf of the Council of Ontario Construction Associations (COCA) and the Construction and Design Alliance of Ontario (CDAO).

Glenn addressed the volume and nature of the changes he submitted, which were drafted with the intent of resolving existing issues with the Act, saying "My concern has always been that if you fix some of the things, the unfixed things are still there, they don't go away, they remain problems. It would be better to fix as much as possible all at once. This is the one shot to try and get as much right as possible."

A construction lawyer with 35 years of experience, Glenn is regularly consulted about negotiating and preparing construction and consultant contracts, procurement and tendering issues, and risk avoidance strategies, and was a member of the Expert Panel's Advisory Group on the original changes to Ontario's *Construction Lien Act* in 2016. Glenn sits on one of the National Advisory Councils of the Canadian Construction Association and is a Past Chairman of the Board of the Toronto Construction Association.

To learn more about Glenn Ackerley, please visit his profile page.

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