

# Nine WeirFoulds partners recognized in *Chambers Canada Guide 2025*

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WeirFoulds is pleased to announce that the firm has once again been recognized by Chambers and Partners in *Chambers Canada Guide 2025*. In this year's edition, nine of our partners have been recognized as leaders in their respective fields. We congratulate:

## **Glenn Ackerley – Construction (Nationwide – Canada)**

- Glenn represents owners, developers, and contractors in a range of construction matters. He is particularly renowned for his management of disputes born out of construction projects, including contract disputes, delays, and lien claims. Glenn is recognized in Band 2 of this category.

## **Sandra Astolfo – Construction (Nationwide – Canada)**

- Sandra has worked with clients for almost 30 years. From negotiating construction agreements to providing contract administration advice, to litigating, mediating and arbitrating disputes, Sandra advocates on behalf of all project participants. Sandra is recognized in Band 4 of this category.

## **Denise Baker – Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use (Ontario)**

- Denise is a Co-Managing Partner at WeirFoulds. With a practice focused on municipal and land use planning issues and related litigation, she has acted on behalf of municipalities, private landowners and resident groups. Denise is ranked in Band 4 of this category.

## **Janet Bobechko – Environment (Nationwide – Canada)**

- Described as “very strong and knowledgeable” by her clients, Janet is an experienced environmental lawyer with a practice encompassing both litigious and regulatory matters. Notable areas of expertise include contamination and remediation, emergency response and environmental approvals. Janet is recognized in Band 3 of this category.

## **Lisa Borsook – Real Estate: Mainly Mid-Market (Ontario)**

- Lisa is one of the most recommended commercial leasing and infrastructure lawyers in the country, widely recognized for her knowledge, experience and commitment to her clients and the profession. Lisa is described by her clients as “sophisticated, experienced and logical,” and she is praised as “always able to assist and deliver in a timely manner.” She is ranked in Band 3 of this category.

## **Jill Dougherty – Litigation: Administrative & Public Law (Ontario)**

- Jill has over 35 years of experience acting on behalf of both private and public sector clients. Jill appears regularly as counsel before the trial and appellate courts and administrative tribunals in many aspects of public law. Clients have described Jill as “smart, sharp and personable,” and have commended her ability to “stay professional, even when matters are high-stakes and high-emotion.” Jill is ranked in Band 3 of this category.

#### **Bruce Engell – Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use (Ontario)**

- Bruce “provides creative solutions” to his clients, and maintains a municipal and planning practice with expertise covering the full spectrum of matters arising during real estate development. He is adept at representing clients before the LPAT and the courts in Ontario, and “handles planning and litigation matters expertly, always with an eye to the client’s best interests.” Bruce is recognized in Band 3 of this category in Ontario.

#### **James Kosa – Information Technology (Nationwide – Canada)**

- James “is very efficient and comes up with good commercial solutions,” advising clients across a range of IT issues including software licensing, privacy, and related IP concerns, and acting as technology counsel to companies across a wide variety of high technology fields. James is recognized in Band 3 of this category.

#### **Carlos Martins – Transportation: Aviation: Regulatory (Nationwide – Canada)**

- Carlos advises domestic and foreign air carriers on licensing matters and due diligence, and is praised by clients and peers as being “a strong lawyer.” He is also active on litigation mandates in the aviation space. Carlos is recognized in Band 2 of this category.

Additionally, WeirFoulds is recognized as a leading firm in the following two categories:

- **Real Estate: Mainly Mid-Market (Ontario):**WeirFoulds is recognized in Band 2 in this category in Ontario. The WeirFoulds Real Estate team acts for public and private corporations, pension funds, financial institutions, governments and individuals in a range of real estate and mortgage financing transactions.
- **Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use (Ontario):**WeirFoulds is recognized in Band 2 in this category in Ontario. The team is known as a skilled group with considerable experience acting for municipalities on significant expropriations and LPAT appeals, in addition to its engagement in mid-market transactions in Ontario.

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We thank our clients, colleagues and peers, and look forward to continuing our efforts to better serve our clients in Ontario, across Canada and around the world.

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