

57 WeirFoulds lawyers recognized in 2026 *Best Lawyers in Canada* and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch*

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WeirFoulds congratulates the 48 lawyers who have been recognized in the [2026 edition of The Best Lawyers in Canada](#), and the 9 lawyers who have been recognized in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada*. This year we have proudly earned 88 rankings in 26 specialty areas.

We are also thrilled to announce that Partners Clare Burns ("Trusts and Estates"), Karsten Lee ("Commercial Leasing Law"), Carlos Martins ("Defamation and Media Law") and Christopher Tzekas ("Expropriation Law") have been [recognized as "Lawyer of the Year"](#) within Toronto in their respective areas of practice.

Best Lawyers has ranked legal practitioners and firms across multiple practice areas through exhaustive peer-review surveys of the legal community for more than 25 years. Those surveyed are asked to assess their peers on their legal abilities, professionalism and integrity.

We are honoured that our clients and peers continue to take the time to express their satisfaction with the high-quality counsel, service and professionalism provided by WeirFoulds.

Below is the list of lawyers recognized in *The Best Lawyers in Canada* and *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada* along with the areas in which they have been ranked:

Lawyer of the Year

Clare Burns

- Trusts and Estates

Karsten Lee

- Commercial Leasing Law

Carlos Martins

- Defamation and Media Law

Christopher Tzekas

- Expropriation Law

Best Lawyers in Canada

Caroline Abela

- Corporate and Commercial Litigation
- Trusts and Estates

Glenn Ackerley

- Construction Law

Richard Arezes

- Real Estate Law

Sandra Astolfo

- Construction Law

Denise Baker

- Municipal Law

Carleigh Bassett

- Corporate Law

Amy Block

- Administrative and Public Law

Janet Bobechko

- Environmental Law

Lisa Borsook

- Commercial Leasing Law
- Real Estate Law

Alan Bromstein

- Administrative and Public Law
- Health Care Law

David Brown

- Corporate Law

John Buhlman

- Administrative and Public Law
- Corporate and Commercial Litigation
- Environmental Law

Clare Burns

- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Trusts and Estates

F. Philip Carpenter

- Construction Law

Krista Chaytor

- Commercial Leasing Law
- Construction Law

Jennifer Corak

- Trusts and Estates

Jeff Cowan

- Administrative and Public Law
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Real Estate Law

Lisa Danay Wallace

- Information Technology Law
- Privacy and Data Security Law

Jill Dougherty

- Administrative and Public Law
- Health Care Law

Robert Eberschlag

- Mining Law

Wayne Egan

- Corporate Law
- Mining Law

Robert Eisenberg

- Commercial Leasing Law

Bruce Engell

- Municipal Law

Sean Foran

- Expropriation Law
- Real Estate Law

Peter Jacobsen

- Defamation and Media Law

Wojtek Jaskiewicz

- Insolvency and Financial Restructuring Law

Ben Kates

- Administrative and Public Law

Raj Kehar

- Municipal Law

James Kosa

- Information Technology Law
- Intellectual Property Law
- Privacy and Data Security Law
- Technology Law

Brian Kuchar

- Construction Law

Karsten Lee

- Commercial Leasing Law
- Real Estate Law

Andrew MacDonald

- Aviation Law
- Defamation and Media Law

Lucinda Main

- Trusts and Estates

Carlos Martins

- Aviation Law
- Defamation and Media Law

Andrea McEwan

- Trusts and Estates

Debra McKenna

- Administrative and Public Law
- Health Care Law

Bradley McLellan

- Real Estate Law

W. A. Derry Millar

- Administrative and Public Law
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Corporate and Commercial Litigation

Patrick Nugent

- Real Estate Law

Kenneth Prehogan

- Corporate and Commercial Litigation

Gregory Richards

- Administrative and Public Law
- Corporate and Commercial Litigation

Steven Rukavina

- Corporate Law
- Real Estate Law

Abbey Sinclair

- Expropriation Law
- Municipal Law

Michael Swartz

- Construction Law

David Thompson

- Commercial Leasing Law
- Real Estate Law

Christopher Tzekas

- Expropriation Law
- Real Estate Law

Frank Walwyn

- Corporate and Commercial Litigation
- International Arbitration
- International Trade and Finance Law
- Trusts and Estates

Daniel Wong

- Labour and Employment Law

Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch**Alyssa Armstrong**

- Health Care Law

Lia Boritz

- Corporate and Commercial Litigation
- Labour and Employment Law

Chantal Conroy

- Municipal Law

Michael Ding

- Tax Law

Shawn English

- Mergers and Acquisitions Law

Lori Isaj

- Trusts and Estates

Sanaya Mistry

- Trusts and Estates

Arman Poushin

- Commercial Leasing Law

Emma Romano

- Corporate and Commercial Litigation

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