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Practice Areas

Administrative & Public Law

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Resolution

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Sylvain Rouleau is a litigation partner at WeirFoulds LLP where he specializes in public, administrative and constitutional law, as well as municipal and land use planning law.

Sylvain has appeared before several administrative tribunals, and all levels of the court, including the Supreme Court of Canada.

Sylvain's has experience in representing a number of different clients, including municipalities and other public bodies such as school boards and crown corporations, as well as private interests, entrepreneurs, individuals and advocacy group.

Sylvain works for a number of public clients, including municipalities and school boards, as well as private clients in all manner of litigation. In particular, Sylvain has represented a number of municipalities in proceedings related to the *Municipal Act, 2001*, S.O. 2001, c. 25.

Sylvain is also involved with the academic side of Municipal and Land Use Planning Law, having taught Planning Law and Municipal Law at Ryerson University, and being an author of the Ontario Municipal Law: A User's Manual 2024, Thomson Reuters 2024.

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Called to the Bar	Education	Affiliations
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ontario (2010) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LL.B., Université de Moncton, 2009 • B. Soc. Sc. (Hons. Specialization in Political Science), University of Ottawa, 2006 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Member of the Official Languages Committee of the Ontario Bar Association • Ontario Bar Association • Canadian Bar Association • The Advocates' Society • Association des juristes d'expression française de l'Ontario
Languages		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • English • French 		

Reported Cases

- [Sims Group Recycling v. Minister of the Environment and Waste Diversion Ontario](#), 2013 ONSC 209
- [Pourdeilami v. Toronto \(City\)](#), 2015 CanLII 86933 (ON OMB)
- [Yukon Francophone School Board, Education Area #23 v. Yukon \(Attorney General\)](#), [2015] 2 SCR 282
- [Richmond Hill \(Town\) v. Elginbay Corporation](#), 2016 ONSC 5560
- [Young v. Toronto \(City\)](#), 2016 CanLII 58089 (ON OMB)
- [Ballantry Homes v. Town \(Oakville\)](#), 2016 CanLII 17283 (ON OMB)
- [Bromont Homes Inc. v. Kawartha Lakes \(City\)](#), 2017 CanLII 294 (ON OMB)
- [Yazdani-Zenooz V. Richmond Hill \(Town\)](#), 2017 CanLII 39821 (ON OMB)
- [Giofam Investments Inc. v. Kawartha Lakes \(City\)](#), 2017 CanLII 293 (ON OMB)
- [Rosso v Algonquin Highlands \(Township\)](#), 2018 CanLII 10549 (ON LPAT)
- [Natale v. City of Toronto](#), 2018 ONSC 1475
- [City of Toronto v. Natale](#), 2018 ONSC 1608
- [Gravelly v Kawartha Lakes \(City\)](#), 2018 CanLII 45197 (ON LPAT)
- [9615334 Canada Inc. v Toronto \(City\)](#), 2018 CanLII 102203
- [Gravelly v Kawartha Lakes \(City\)](#), 2018 CanLII 110117 (ON LPAT)
- [Gravelly v Kawartha Lakes \(City\)](#), 2018 CanLII 110130 (ON LPAT)
- [Camposeo v Durham \(Regional Municipality\)](#), 2018 CanLII 112931 (ON LPAT)
- [9615334 Canada Inc. v Toronto \(City\)](#), 2018 CanLII 102203 (ON LPAT)
- [285622 Ontario Ltd. \(Midves\) v Springwater \(Township\)](#), 2019 CanLII 22981 (ON LPAT)
- [2386240 Ontario Inc. v. Mississauga \(City\)](#), 2019 ONCA 413 (CanLII)
- [Gravelly v Kawartha Lakes \(City\)](#), 2019 CanLII 62126 (ON LPAT)
- [City of Brampton v Brampton \(City\)](#), 2019 CanLII 86357 (ON LPAT)
- [Gravelly v Kawartha Lakes \(City\)](#), 2019 CanLII 109633 (ON LPAT)
- [Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada v Toronto \(City\)](#), 2019 CanLII 101777 (ON LPAT)
- [Flower v Georgian Bay \(Township\)](#), 2020 CanLII 30688 (ON LPAT)
- [Conseil scolaire francophone de la Colombie-Britannique v. British Columbia](#), 2020 SCC 13
- [College of Early Childhood Educators v Marlène Michel](#), 2020 ONCECE 14
- [Mawhiney v. Norfolk County](#), 2021 ONSC 1928
- [College of Early Childhood Educators v Mvidi Helene Batulapuka](#), 2021 ONCECE 7
- [725 Wilson Inc. v Toronto \(City\)](#), 2021 CanLII 69334 (ON LT)
- [Ricard v. The University of Windsor](#), 2021 ONSC 5877
- [Chahal v. The Corporation of the Town of Caledon](#), 2022 ONSC 1666

- *Forth v The Archipelago (Township)*, 2022 CanLII 21235 (ON LT)
- *ClubLink Corporation ULC v Ottawa (City)*, 2022 CanLII 23501 (ON LT)
- *King Street I GP Inc. v Toronto (City)*, 2022 CanLII 23441 (ON LT)
- *Roosbuilt Ltd. v. Jamieson*, 2022 ONSC 2029
- *Pleasant Cove Resort Inc (Bishop) v Township of The Archipelago (Township)*, 2022 CanLII 40666 (ON LT)
- *Pleasant Cove Resort Inc (Bishop) v Township of The Archipelago (Township)*, 2022 CanLII 71617 (ON LT)
- *Kroeker v Carling (Township)*, 2022 CanLII 93027 (ON LT)
- *Timbercreek 4340 Bloor St. Inc. v Toronto (City)*, 2022 CanLII 106846 (ON LT)
- *Addison Automotive Inc. v. Mississauga (City)*, 2023 CanLII 100152 (ON LT)
- *Volcano café v. Durham Region*, 2023 ONSC 993
- *Chahal v Caledon (Town)*, 2023 ONCA 188
- *Gertner v Carling (Township)*, 2023 CanLII 23978 (ON LT)
- *2540659 Ontario Inc. v The Archipelago (Township)*, 2023 CanLII 56714 (ON LT)
- *Southwest Georgetown Landowners Group Inc. v. Halton (Region)*, 2024 CanLII 3373 (ON LT)
- *2682283 Ontario Ltd (Volcano Café and Lounge) v. Durham (Regional Municipality)*, 2024 ONCA 132
- *Rosart Bucci Group v. Brantford (City)*, 2024 CanLII 26237 (ON LT)
- *Carling (Township) v. Ontario (Information and Privacy Commissioner)*, 2024 ONSC 3297
- *Rees v. Archipelago (Township)*, 2024 CanLII 65180 (ON LT)

Professional Activities

- Instructor, Municipal Law, Toronto Metropolitan University (2024)
- Instructor, Planning Law, Toronto Metropolitan University (2017 – 2018)
- Instructor, Construction Law, George Brown College (2013 – 2018)

Speaking Engagements

- Speaker, OPPI & WeirFoulds LLP Annual Seminar 2025, Toronto, ON, December 12, 2025
- Panellist, « Mises à jour éclair sur les grandes décisions juridiques », AJEFO Congrès annuel 2016, Niagara Falls, June 25, 2016
- Speaker, "Legal and Regulatory Issues Affecting Building Owners & Property Managers," Springfest, April 7, 2016

Additional Publications

- Co-author (with Ophir Bar-Moshe), *Ontario Municipal Law: A User's Manual 2020*, Thomson Reuters 2020

Publications

- *Ontario's Water and Wastewater Public Corporation Framework: What Municipalities Need to Know Now*, May 04, 2026

- Arbitrator rules part-time university professors are hired under fixed-term employment contracts and are not eligible for ESA 6% vacation pay benefit, May 11, 2020
- Changes in Land Use Planning and Development in Ontario Including *Planning Act* Timelines in the Face of an Emergency, April 17, 2020
- Webinar: Employment Law Seminar, October 07, 2019
- Webcast: Bill 108 – More Homes, More Choice 2019 – What Will Change and What Will Remain?, September 26, 2019