



# William D. Black

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## Bar Admission

Ontario 1989

## Law School

University of Toronto

## Practices

Construction  
Disputes  
Professional Liability  
Securities Litigation

## Industries

Global Metals & Mining

William Black is a partner in our Litigation Group in Toronto. His practice consists primarily of civil litigation with an emphasis on professional negligence and commercial litigation. In addition, William's practice focuses in the conduct of trials and appeals in civil cases and before administrative tribunals.

William has extensive experience with professional liability claims and proceedings in the context of:

- engineering - prosecuted matters for the Association of Professional Engineers for 15 years and was involved in various civil actions involving all manner of engineering issues;
- mining - has acted for clients in litigation over environmental contamination from mining operations, and in connection with shareholder disputes relative to mining properties;
- medicine - represented the Canadian Medical Protective Association and its members at all levels of court and various tribunals for 18 years; and
- accounting - represented accounting firms in claims relating to auditors' liability and other matters.

In addition, William has acted for a number of banks, shareholders and businesses in a wide range of commercial disputes.

William has spoken and written on a number of topics, including privacy issues, privilege, risk management, various medico-legal issues, and on advocacy. He is a member of faculty at the University of Toronto Law School, teaching in the Trial Advocacy class.

He received his BA (*magna cum laude*) from Harvard University in 1983, and his LL.B. from the University of Toronto in 1987.

## Awards & Rankings

### Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory

Most Frequently Recommended: Medical Negligence - Represents Defendants; Repeatedly Recommended: Litigation - Corporate Commercial and Professional Liability

### Best Lawyers in Canada

A leading lawyer in Medical Negligence

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## Benchmark Litigation - Canada

Litigation Star: Construction, General Commercial, Professional Liability and Securities

## Recent Experience

- **Air Canada acquires Aeroplan rewards program from Aimia Inc. for C\$497M**

January 10, 2019

## Recent Insights

- **The Supreme Court's Decision in Livent: a Framework for Deciding Auditor's Negligence Cases**

March 09, 2018