



# Kristian Brabander

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## Bar Admission

New Brunswick 2010  
Ontario 2002  
Québec 2006

## Law School

McGill University

## Practices

Disputes  
Class Actions  
Competition Litigation  
Professional Liability  
Public Law  
Cyber/Data

## Industries

Technology

Kristian Brabander is a partner in the Litigation Group at McCarthy Tétrault in Montréal.

Mr. Brabander has a general litigation practice and has appeared regularly before the Courts in Ontario and Québec, as well as the Court of Appeal of Québec. He has also appeared before the Supreme Court of Canada, the Federal Court of Canada and various professional bodies and administrative tribunals, including the Administrative Tribunal of Québec and the Commission d'accès à l'information.

Mr. Brabander has vast experience in a broad range of litigation areas including class actions, commercial contract litigation, insurance matters, shareholder disputes, defamation, medical malpractice cases and other professional responsibility matters, as well as privacy and access to information issues.

In particular, Mr. Brabander's practice focuses on consumer and product liability class actions. He regularly acts for significant clients in class actions involving allegations of manufacturing defects and *Consumer Protection Act* claims. He regularly acts and advises clients on multi-jurisdictional class actions and is currently co-Chair of the American Bar Association's Class & Derivative Actions Subcommittee (Business Law Section, Business and Corporate Litigation). He also sits on the Executive Committee of the Class Actions Section of the Canadian Bar Association (Quebec) and is a contributing author to the fifth edition of McCarthy Tétrault's *Defending Class Actions in Canada*, published by LexisNexis.

Mr. Brabander received his B.A. (history) in 1995 and his LL.B. and B.C.L. in 2001, from McGill University. He was called to the Ontario bar in 2002, to the Québec bar in 2006 and to the New Brunswick bar in 2010. Mr. Brabander speaks fluent English, French and German and is proficient in Spanish.

## Awards & Rankings

### Benchmark Litigation Canada

Future Star

### The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory

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- **The Impact of COVID-19 on Contractual Obligations: Force Majeure and Frustration**  
March 20, 2020
- **Defending Class Actions in Canada: A Guide for Defendants, 5th Edition, Available Now**  
February 10, 2020

## Events

- **Actually Litigating Class Actions: Life Before and After Certification**  
March 11, 2021
- **5th Edition Defending Class Actions in Canada Book Launch**  
February 20, 2020