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## Overview

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Ryan Krushelnitzky is a litigator in the construction, products liability and insurance areas. With a Ph.D. in civil engineering, Ryan's engineering background assists him in dealing with the complex technical and practical issues faced by his construction, product manufacturer, and insurer clients.

Ryan has acted for both construction contractors and owners in a wide range of areas, including: contractual disputes over progress and payment, delays, lost productivity, builders' liens, construction deficiencies, tendering, and insurance/bonding. Ryan also assists his clients with contract review and general advice on construction related matters, with experience in industrial and commercial construction related projects.

Ryan also represents product manufacturers and distributors involved in product liability litigation. He has experience dealing with breach of warranty and negligence claims relating to allegedly defective industrial and construction equipment, farming equipment, building systems, motor vehicles, building materials and various consumer goods. He has experience with fire losses, and other product liability matters, such as personal injury losses.

Ryan also provides advice regarding the cross-border and jurisdictional issues that often arise when international manufacturers do business in Alberta.

Ryan's insurance practice focuses on coverage work, and the defence of property and personal injury claims.

### Value to Clients

Following the completion of his articles, Ryan was a Law Clerk to the Honourable Justice Marshall Rothstein at the Supreme Court of Canada, giving him a unique insight into the judicial decision making process. Ryan has appeared before the Alberta Provincial Court, the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench, and ad hoc commercial arbitration panels.

### Outside the Office

He is also a Term Lecturer teaching law to engineering students at the University of Alberta's Faculty of Engineering.

## Industries

Construction  
Insurance  
Manufacturing

## Services

Construction  
Insurance  
Builders' Liens  
Products Liability  
Litigation  
Alternative Dispute Resolution  
Real Estate

## Education

University of Alberta, 2009,  
Bachelor of Laws  
Queen's University, 2006, Doctor of  
Philosophy  
University of Alberta, 2001,  
Bachelor of Science (Civil  
Engineering)

## Admissions

Alberta, 2010

## Experience

Kowalchuk v Hyundai Auto Canada Corp., 2018 ABQB 421

KBR Industrial Canada Co v Air Liquide Global E&C Solutions Canada LP, 2018 ABQB 257

Alberta Motor Association Insurance Company v Aspen Insurance UK Limited, 2018 ABQB 207

## Professional

### Canadian Bar Association

#### Member

2010 - Present

### Canadian Bar Association, Insurance Law Section (North)

#### Member

2011 - Present

### Canadian Bar Association Alberta, Civil Litigation Section (North)

#### Member

2009-Present

### Canadian Bar Association Alberta, Construction Law Section (North)

#### Member

2009-Present

### Defence Research Institute

#### Member

2012 - Present

### Law Society of Alberta

#### Member

2010 - Present

## Community

Small Claims Duty Counsel, Pro Bono Law Alberta, 2012-Present

## Recognition

The Alberta Law Review, William Morrow Essay Contest, 2nd Prize: 2009

Alberta Crown Attorneys Association Prize in Criminal Procedure: 2009

The Carswell Prize in Law: 2009

George Bligh O'Connor Silver Medal in Law for graduating with 2nd highest standing , University of Alberta Faculty of Law: 2009

Jason Lang Scholarship: 2008

Alberta Law Foundation Scholarship: 2008

Louise McKinney Post-Secondary Scholarship: 2007

Blake, Cassels & Graydon Scholarship: 2007

Chief Justice S. Bruce Smith Prize for the highest standing in 1st year law : 2007

Ontario Graduate Scholarship in Science and Technology : 2005

Canadian Geotechnical Society Undergraduate Student Report Award, 2nd Prize : 2004

Canadian Geotechnical Society Graduate Student Presentation Award, 2nd Prize : 2004

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada Canadian Graduate Scholarship : 2003-2005

Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada PGS-A Scholarship : 2001-2003

The Canadian Society for Civil Engineering- Edmonton and Northern Alberta Section-R.L. Gerard Student Paper Competition- 1st Prize : 2000

## News + Views + Events

March 2018

[Contentious Construction Contract Clauses: Traps and Pitfalls to be Aware Of](#)

January 2018

[Understanding Limitations of Liability: Recent Alberta and Canadian Case Law](#)

January 2018

[Contractor Know Thyself: If You Don't, You May Lose Your Lien](#)

January 2018

[Fatal Errors: The Small Mistakes That Can Have a Big Impact On Your Lien Claim](#)

December 2017

[Termination Problems: When Can You Walk Away From a Contract?](#)