



Education

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Overview

Field Law has the largest education law practice in Alberta, providing a comprehensive range of services for universities, colleges and technical institutes. We also represent the Alberta Teachers Association. We understand that advanced education is delivered in a complex governance and legislative environment, and that accountability, transparency and integrity are essential to the operation of post-secondary institutions.

Post-secondary institutions navigate many settings and rely on our assistance in numerous areas including:

Industries

Education

Services

Endowments, Gifts + Other
Agreements
Intellectual Property + Technology
Labour + Employment
Business Immigration
Occupational Health + Safety
Privacy
Litigation
Real Estate

LABOUR + EMPLOYMENT

- Collective bargaining
- Grievances and Arbitrations
- Disability Management and Human Rights
- Pensions and retirement incentives
- Immigration

ACADEMIC STAFF

- Designation and de-designation of academic staff
- Academic freedom
- Relations with CAUT and Universities Canada
- Secondment agreements
- Contingent funding agreements
- Research integrity and Tri-Council policies
- Research services agreements

GOVERNANCE

- Bicameral governance
- Interpretation of *Post-Secondary Learning Act*
- Government relations
- Public accountability and Office of the Auditor General
- Policy development
- Bylaw review and interpretation

CAMPUS SAFETY

- Sexual violence policies
- Detention of individuals
- Electronic surveillance
- *Petty Trespass Act*
- Relationships with policing agencies

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

- Copyright and trademark registration
- Patents
- Licensing agreement
- Technology transfer
- Access Copyright
- Data sharing

PRIVACY

- Access to information
- Legislative compliance
- OIPC inquiries
- *FOIPPA* interpretation
- *CASL* compliance

REPUTATION MANAGEMENT

- Public accountability obligations
- Social media
- Defamation
- Freedom of expression on campus
- Class actions

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

- Program reorganization
- Accreditation reviews
- Affiliation agreements
- Distance learning and Massive Open Online Courses

STUDENTS

- Codes of Conduct and discipline
- Academic appeals
- Training of adjudicators
- Tuition fee regulation
- Student residences
- International student fees, employment and sponsorship
- Student groups

ENDOWMENTS/GIFTS

- Advancement
- Donors, donations and charitable giving
- Trusts and endowments
- Donation investment, management and administration

CORPORATE/COMMERCIAL

- Land and business trusts
- Public-private partnerships
- Tendering
- Commercial agreements

HEALTH + SAFETY

- Institutional legislative compliance
- Policy development and implementation
- Incident investigation and response

Field Law hosts a legislative monitoring service to support our clients with their legislative compliance. The service can be accessed [here](#). For details on enrolment to the legislative monitoring service please contact Josette McEachern at library@fieldlaw.com or call 780-423-7692.

Experience

Elkow v Sana, 2018 ABQB 1001

Calgary School District No. 19 v Alberta Teachers' Association, 2017 CanLII 10820 (AB GAA)

Alberta Teachers Association v Calgary Roman Catholic Separate School Division No. 1, 2016 CanLII 97764 (AB GAA)

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November 29, 2018

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September 2018

[The Best Lawyers in Canada 2019](#)

December 2017

[2017 Field Law Post-Secondary Summit Recap](#)

November 30, 2017

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