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Language(s) spoken: English, [French](#)

Bar Admission(s): Nova Scotia, 2001; Ontario,
1998

Legal Assistant(s): [Beverley Gandy](#)

***Providing legal services through a professional
corporation.***

Working with a diverse group of clients which include financial institutions, construction contractors, developers, engineers, insurers, landlords/tenants, manufacturers and shareholders, some of the ways Colin has helped his clients are by:

- Representing a mechanical contractor in the arbitration of a delay claim arising from the construction of an electrostatic precipitator.
- Representing a geophysical contractor in a billing dispute with a subcontractor involving commercial fraud.
- Representing a municipal contractor in a tendering dispute.
- Representing an investment dealer in a wrongful dismissal claim.
- Representing a sprinkler head manufacturer in a product liability claim.
- Representing shareholders in a variety of shareholders disputes.

Notable decisions Colin has been involved in include:

- [LED Roadway Lighting Ltd. v Alltrade Industrial Contractors Inc., 2019 NSSC 62](#)
- [Clyde Bergemann Canada Ltd. v Lorneville Mechanical Contractors Ltd., 2018 NSCA 14](#)
- [Lorneville Mechanical Contractors Ltd. v Clyde Bergemann Canada Ltd., 2017 NSSC 119](#)
- [Big X Holdings Inc. v. Royal Bank of Canada, 2015 NSSC 184](#)
- [Big X Holdings Inc. v. Royal Bank of Canada, 2014 NSSC 368, 2014 CarswellINS 763](#)
- [Spidell v. LaHave Equipment Ltd., 2014 NSSC 255, 2014 CarswellINS 559](#)
- [MacArthur Estate, Re, 2013 NSSC 157, 2013 CarswellINS 373](#)
- [Acadia Drywall Supplies Ltd. v. BBL.Con Design Build..., 2013 NSSC 13, 2013](#)
- [Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce v. CNH Capital Ltd., 2013 NSCA 35](#)
- [CNH Capital Canada Ltd. v. Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, 2012 NSSC 149, 2012](#)
- [Sable Mary Seismic Inc. v Geophysical Service Inc. 2012 NSCA 33](#)
- [Carrigan v. Berkshire Securities Inc., 2010 NSSC 373](#)
- [Halifax \(Regional Municipality\) v. England Paving & Contracting Ltd., 2009 NSSC 224](#)

Practice Areas

Construction

Energy, Environmental & Natural Resources

Insurance

Litigation & Alternative Dispute Resolution

Education & Career

Education

Osgoode Hall Law School, LL.B., 1996

Dalhousie University, B.Sc. (honours), 1991

Activities

Member, Canadian Bar Association

Chair, Practice Innovation Advisory Committee, Stewart McKelvey, 2017-present

Member, Partnership Board, Stewart McKelvey, 2016-present

Former Practice Group Leader, Business Disputes, Stewart McKelvey, 2008-2011

Former Chair, Construction Law Section, Nova Scotia Branch, Canadian Bar Association, 2009-2011

Member, Canada Games Centre Board of Directors, 2011-2018

Former Chair, Canada Games Centre Board of Directors, 2014-2016

Accolades

Benchmark Canada, Litigator of the Year - Atlantic, 2019

Benchmark Canada, local litigation star (Construction, General Commercial, Insurance), 2015-2018

Best Lawyers: Corporate and Commercial Litigation, 2013-2020

Lexpert rating: Construction Law

Lexpert rating: Litigation – Commercial Insurance

Lexpert rating: Litigation – Corporate Commercial

Thought Leadership

Client Update: “Lien”-ing Towards Efficiency: Upcoming Amendments to the Builders’ Lien Act

June 29, 2017

Publications

Co-author, “Primacy of the Right to Arbitrate under a CCDC/CCD Contract: Substance Over Form”, *2018 Journal of the Canadian College of Construction Lawyers*

Co-author, “An Unfinished Dance: The Steps Needed to Complete the Summary Judgment Culture Shift”, *Annual Review of Civil Litigation 2015*