

## Stephanie Stapleford

### Associate

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Language(s) spoken: English

Bar Admission(s): New Brunswick, 2018

Legal Assistant(s): [Faith Arbeau](#), [Kimberly Donaher](#)

Stephanie practices in the areas of tax law and banking & finance.

As a tax lawyer, Stephanie represents individual and corporate taxpayers in their disputes against Canada Revenue Agency and provincial finance authorities. She handles objections, relief requests, Tax Court appeals, judicial review applications and settlement negotiations under income tax and GST/HST legislation. She also works with accountants to implement tax-driven corporate reorganizations.

As a banking and finance lawyer, Stephanie represents institutional lenders and their agents in connection with construction financings and other asset- and project-based lending transactions.

Other examples of Stephanie's work include:

- advising interjurisdictional carriers on fleet compliance matters, including under the *International Registration Plan* and the *International Fuel Tax Agreement*;
- representing clients on corporate acquisitions through all stages of the transaction;
- acting for buyers and sellers of commercial real estate; and
- representing clients in complex commercial litigation matters.

## Practice Areas

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Banking & Financing

Commercial Transactions/Agreements

Corporate Formation/Reorganization

Litigation & Alternative Dispute Resolution

Mergers & Acquisitions

Tax

Tax Dispute Resolution

## Education & Career

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### Education

CPA Canada In-Depth Tax Program, 2023

University of New Brunswick Faculty of Law, JD (with Distinction), 2017

St. Thomas University, BA (Hons. Philosophy), 2013

### Activities

Chair, Taxation Law Section, Canadian Bar Association – New Brunswick

Member, Canadian Tax Foundation

Member, Canadian Bar Association

Part-time instructor, University of New Brunswick Faculty of Law (2021)

### Accolades

Best Lawyers™ 2025 “Ones to Watch”, Tax Law

Lieutenant Governor’s Silver Medal in Law for highest academic standing in graduating class

Law Faculty Council Prize – second year and third year

Awards for highest academic standing in the following areas of study:

- Commercial Law
- Conflict of Laws
- Contracts
- Corporate Law & Taxation
- Property

## Thought Leadership

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Bringing corporate governance online, part 2: Electronically-signed share certificates

June 22, 2020

Bringing corporate governance online, part 1: Virtual shareholders’ meetings

May 01, 2020

An update on the impacts of COVID-19 on the tax dispute resolution process

April 21, 2020

Tax Planning: Warming up to the refreeze in a COVID-19-impacted economy

March 30, 2020

## **Publications**

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Co-Author & Presenter, “Statute-barred assessments – It’s not over until I say it’s over”, CPA Canada Commodity Tax Symposium, Ottawa

October 24, 2023