



Education

Osgoode Hall Law School (2012) JD
University of Western Ontario (2007)
BSc (Civil and Environmental
Engineering)

Bar Admissions

Ontario (2013)

Practice Areas

Arbitration
Commercial Litigation
Construction and Infrastructure
Injunctions

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is Construction Counsel at Lenczner Slaght.

Aaron's practice focuses on litigating disputes within the construction and real estate sectors. Due to his many years of educational and practical experience in structural engineering, Aaron excels in highly technical cases which require expert evidence. He can speak the same language as engineering and construction professionals allowing for efficient and successful representation of his clients from the outset of a matter through to trial.

Aaron is experienced in resolving complicated engineering and construction disputes by negotiation and mediation. His clients look to him for strategic and practical advice to resolve their technical legal disputes in the courtroom and the boardroom.

Prior to attending law school, Aaron studied and practiced structural engineering, concentrating on building design and construction. Before joining Lenczner Slaght, Aaron was a partner at a mid-sized law firm in downtown Toronto.

RECOGNITION

- Best Lawyers in Canada (2021-2024)
Alternative Dispute Resolution, Construction Law, Corporate & Commercial Litigation
- Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory (2024)
Litigation - Corporate Commercial

SELECT CASES

- **Bitton v Checroune** – Appellate counsel for an oppression claim concerning a shareholder dispute over a development property. (*Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.*)
- **10390160 Canada Ltd et al v Casey et al** – Counsel to a number of investors in a limited partnership commencing an action for breach of contract and seeking a Mareva injunction against the Defendants.
- **Crosslinx Transit Solutions Constructors v Form & Build Supply (Toronto) Inc** – Counsel to Crosslinx Transit Solutions Constructors in a successful motion to declare a lien from a sub-subcontractor expired. The decision was the first to consider and apply the transition provisions in the *Construction Act*, R.S.O. 1990, c. C.30 to the time limit to register a lien.
- **Various Stakeholders** – Counsel to various stakeholders in competing applications for the appointment of a receiver and manager pursuant to subsection 243(1) the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, section 101 of the *Courts of Justice Act*

, and an application for protection under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.

- **Construction Arbitration** – Counsel to a general contractor in respect of a complex mediation/prospective arbitration process regarding a subway extension project.
- **Construction Dispute** – Counsel to a general contractor in a dispute with a design subcontractor on a very large transit project regarding design deficiencies and payment for design changes that have arisen over the course of construction.
- **Aecon Mining Construction Services v K+S Potash Canada GP** – Counsel to Aecon in complex litigation involving multiple parties and claims, in respect of the Legacy potash mine and production facility in Saskatchewan.
- **TSCC 2282 v Bay-Yorkville Developments** – Counsel to the defendant developer in proceedings alleging construction deficiencies in the construction of the Four Seasons Residences in Toronto.
- **R v Live Nation** – Counsel to Live Nation in defence of charges under the Occupational Health and Safety Act relating to the 2012 stage collapse at Downsview Park. This included a multi-week trial with an eventual stay of charges under s. 11(b) of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, and appearing at the related Coroner's Inquest. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*
- **Transformer Explosion** – Counsel to an electrical utility in defence of a class action and property damage claim following an explosion of a transformer at a large apartment building. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*
- **Professional Negligence Claim** – Counsel to an international engineering consulting firm defending a \$20+ million claim of professional negligence relating to the design and construction of a courthouse. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*
- **Green Building - Professional Negligence Defence** – Counsel to an engineering firm for claims related to the installation of green heating and cooling systems. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*
- **Construction Lien** – Counsel for solar energy developer resulting in the registration of construction liens over approximately 20 properties and related contractual dispute with co-developer of the solar energy projects. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*
- **International Arbitration** – Counsel to Canadian and Chinese equipment manufacturer for South American mining project in a claim for breach of contract relating to early cancellation of the contract and the mining project by an international mining firm. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*
- **Confidential Fraud Recovery** – Counsel for a personal holding company targeted in a multi-million dollar fraud. Retainer included obtaining a Mareva injunction against fraudster, their family and related holding companies, in addition to locating and recovering assets purchased with the proceeds of the fraud. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*
- **Albert Gelman Inc v Pantziris** – Counsel for a Trustee in Bankruptcy in fraudulent conveyance, transfer at undervalue and oppression claim against relatives and associates of a bankrupt to satisfy a multi-million dollar judgment. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*

- **Farrell v Kavanagh** – Counsel to mortgagee in action seeking to validate a \$5 million mortgage registered on commercial properties against allegations of the borrower/owner that the mortgage was fraudulent and unenforceable. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*
- **Confidential Environmental Contamination Claim** – Counsel to property owner for claim resulting from historic oil contamination. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*
- **Appraisal Arbitration** – Counsel to a public utility for a complex real estate appraisal arbitration. *(Prior to joining Lenczner Slaght.)*

SELECT PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

- **Why the Construction Act’s transition provisions are still important 3 years later** – Aaron I. Grossman and Brianne Westland authored the article *Why the Construction Act’s transition provisions are still important 3 years later*, which was published by On-Site Magazine.

SELECT NEWS ARTICLES

- **The 2024 Lexpert Directory Recognizes Lenczner Slaght’s Litigation Excellence** – Lenczner Slaght’s litigators continue to be recognized by their peers as the foremost practitioners in their fields.
- **Lenczner Slaght Litigators Recognized as Best Lawyers in Canada** – In the latest edition of *Best Lawyers in Canada*, 41 of our expert litigators are recognized for their expertise across 24 practice areas. The following lawyers have also been recognized as “Lawyer of the Year” for receiving the highest overall peer-feedback in their practice areas in Toronto.
- **Lenczner Slaght Litigators Recognized Among the Best Lawyers in Canada** – In the latest edition of *Best Lawyers in Canada*, 39 of our expert litigators are recognized by their peers for their expertise across 24 practice areas.
- **Lenczner Slaght Litigators Ranked Among Best Lawyers in Canada** – In the latest edition of *Best Lawyers in Canada*, 37 of our expert litigators are recognized for their expertise across 25 practice areas.
- **Best Lawyers in Canada Recognizes Lenczner Slaght’s Litigation Expertise** – Lenczner Slaght is proud to announce that 33 of our expert litigators are recognized in *Best Lawyers in Canada 2021*. Our lawyers received a total of 128 rankings, up from 100 in 2020.
- **Lenczner Slaght Welcomes Expert Construction Counsel** – Canada’s leading litigation firm is pleased to announce that Aaron Grossman has joined our Construction and Infrastructure Group as Counsel.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Law Society of Ontario
- Ontario Bar Association
- The Advocates’ Society