

#### 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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# Aaron I. Grossman

**AARON I. GROSSMAN** is a partner at Lenczner Slaght.

Aaron's practice focuses on litigating disputes within the construction, infrastructure and real estate sectors. With significant expertise as a lawyer and structural engineer, 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 has significant experience advising clients on claims and issues that arise during the course of a project under a number of different contract models. Aaron's deep experience in the construction industry allows him to get up to speed quickly and provide timely and practical advice to his clients.

Aaron is experienced in resolving complicated engineering and construction by negotiation, mediation, and arbitration. Aaron is highly skilled at developing custom dispute resolution processes to advance his clients' interests effectively and quickly. Clients look to Aaron 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.

### RECOGNITION

- Best Lawyers in Canada (2021-2025) Alternative Dispute Resolution, Construction Law, Corporate & Commercial Litigation
- Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory (2024-2025) Construction Law, Litigation - Corporate Commercial
- Lexpert Special Edition: Canada's Leading Infrastructure Lawyers (2025)

#### **SELECT CASES**

- Aecon v K+S Potash Canada GP and K+S Legacy GP Inc (Third Party Claim) – Counsel to Aecon in a third party claim against Aecon relating to alleged design and construction deficiencies in the process plant for a \$4 billion solution potash mine in Saskatchewan.
- 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.)
- Bitton v Checroune Appellate counsel for an oppression claim concerning a shareholder dispute over a development property. (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

- 2024 Snapshot: Through the Lens of Lenczner Slaght Lenczner Slaght launches our 2024 Snapshot, which highlights the most significant developments, decisions, and trends in litigation from the past year across 20 areas of expertise. Reflect on 2024 and look ahead to 2025 through the lens of our expert litigators.
- Litigating or Arbitrating Complex Construction Disputes Aaron Grossman was invited to co-chair The Advocates' Society's program titled Litigating or Arbitrating Complex Construction Disputes. Aaron led a discussion on the pros, cons, and everything in between when it comes to litigating or arbitrating complex construction disputes.
- 2023 Snapshot: Through the Lens of Lenczner Slaght Lenczner Slaght launches our 2023 Snapshot, a look at the most significant developments, decisions, business takeaways, and trends in litigation from the last year, across 15 practice areas. Revisit 2023 and look ahead to 2024 through the lens of our expert litigators.
- 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**

- 2025 Lexpert Directory Highlights Lenczner Slaght's Excellence in Advocacy – Peers and senior members of the legal profession across the country continue to recognize the depth and breadth of Canada's leading litigation firm in the latest 2025 Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory
- Lenczner Slaght Welcomes New Partners in Construction & IP Canada's leading litigation firm is proud to announce that two of our expert litigators, Aaron Grossman and Martin Brandsma, have been promoted to the partnership.
- Lenczner Slaght Litigators Recognized as the Best Lawyers in Canada – In the 2025 edition of Best Lawyers in Canada, Lenczner



Slaght is proud to receive 168 total rankings, with 45 of our expert litigators recognized for their expertise across 25 practice areas.

- Lenczner Slaght Litigators Elected to The Advocates' Society's Leadership - We are pleased to announce that Sahar Talebi, Aoife Quinn, Aaron Grossman, Christopher Yung, Paul-Erik Veel, and Andrew Parley will be serving prominent leadership positions at The Advocates' Society, a preeminent organization dedicated to promoting effective advocacy and access to justice.
- > 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 Member-at-Large of the Construction Law Practice Group



