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Land Development

Our Land Development Group combines the knowledge and experience of our [Real Estate](#), [Planning](#) and [Construction](#) lawyers to provide advice on all types of development projects from initial acquisition and site selection, through all aspects of the planning approval process, to construction and/or disposition.

Our lawyers are skilled and experienced in working for both public institutions and private enterprises in all aspects of the development process. We have represented clients at all levels of the court system, as well as a range of administrative tribunals with particular emphasis on the Local Planning Appeal Tribunal (formerly the Ontario Municipal Board). We are recognized as a leading law firm in this area by the *Canadian Legal Expert Directory*.

Our group experience representing developers and property owners includes:

- Tenders and contracts
- Development charges, front-ending agreements and development charge credit agreements
- Landowner group structuring and cost sharing
- Official plan, rezoning and committee of adjustment applications
- Plans of subdivision and condominium, secondary plan and block plan development and approvals
- Representation before the OMB and the courts
- Design and construction, including construction lien claims
- Acquisition and disposition of land

Some examples of our experience include:

- Acting for a group of land developers on an employment land conversion project in the Greater Golden Horseshoe
- Representing a major developer on a large-scale community development in southern Ontario
- Acting on behalf of a consortium of developers in the development and construction of Canada's largest film studio complex, in co-operation with the City of Toronto and Toronto Economic Development Corporation

- Acting for developers in obtaining approvals for high rise condominium towers, residential plans of subdivision and common elements condominiums across Ontario
- Representing Infrastructure Ontario in the development of the West Don Lands in the Toronto waterfront, including preparations for the Pan/Parapan American Games
- Obtaining advanced approvals for the construction of a condominium apartment tower on top of a downtown Toronto hotel
- Providing construction advice respecting the Markham Stouffville Hospital, the Ricoh Coliseum at Exhibition Place in Toronto, and Touchstone on Lake Muskoka