



# Kevin O'Brien

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## Areas of Expertise

- [Professional Services](#)
- [Power and Utilities](#)
- [Manufacturing](#)
- [Media and Entertainment](#)
- [Mining and Natural Resources](#)
- [Pharmaceuticals and Life Sciences](#)
- [Infrastructure](#)
- [Health](#)
- [Retail and Consumer Products](#)
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- [Disputes](#)
- [Corporate and Securities Disputes](#)
- [Domestic and International](#)
- [Arbitration](#)
- [Corporate and Commercial Disputes](#)
- [Class Action Defence](#)
- [Risk Management and Crisis Response](#)

Kevin is an experienced trial and appellate lawyer who navigates clients and their businesses through their most difficult and sensitive cases. He has a broad expertise in numerous corporate/commercial matters, including class actions, securities, product liability, energy and construction/infrastructure industry disputes.

Kevin also has specialized expertise in crisis and reputational management and defamation/media law. He regularly acts on domestic and international arbitrations.

Kevin is the Chair of Osler's Legal Professionals Committee. He is co-author with David Morritt of *Canadian Defamation Law and Practice*, a leading resource for litigators in defamation law. He is also a committed Pro Bono Ontario supporter and volunteer, and a volunteer youth baseball and basketball coach in East Toronto. Before joining Osler, Kevin clerked for the judges of the Court of Appeal for Ontario.

## Awards and Recognition

- The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory:** Recognized in Litigation – Corporate Commercial

## Community Involvement

- Amicus Lawyer, Court of Appeal for Ontario
- [Law Help Ontario/Pro Bono Law Ontario](#), Duty Counsel Volunteer
- [My Class Needs](#), Board Member

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Credentials

Education

- University of Western Ontario, LL.B.
- Laurentian University, B. Comm.

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Languages

- English

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Professional Affiliations

- Law Society of Ontario
- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Bar Association
- The Advocates' Society