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Bar Admission: Ontario, 1994

Areas of Expertise

- Nuclear Energy
- Renewable Energy
- Energy
- Gaming
- Infrastructure
- Project Finance
- Public Private Partnerships (P3)
- Construction
- Procurement

Rocco’s practice focuses on engineering, procurement and construction law and infrastructure matters. He has extensive experience on a wide range of major projects and has acted for various project participants, including owners, governmental authorities, developers, lenders, contractors, operators, subcontractors, architects and engineers.

Rocco also advises on public-private partnerships, major building, civil and public works design, construction, operation and maintenance.

His infrastructure development and procurement experience includes advising governmental and public sector authorities and private sector proponents on matters such as the planning, engineering, construction, financing, operation and maintenance of major public infrastructure projects and outsourcing of government services. Rocco’s practice also includes contract negotiation with an emphasis on “preventative” structuring aimed at minimizing project risks and disputes. Rocco is a qualified and experienced professional engineer.

Awards and Recognition

- Chambers Canada: Canada’s Leading Lawyers for Business: Recognized in Energy: Power (Transactional) (Band 1) and Construction (Nationwide – Canada) (Band 1)
- Chambers Global: The World’s Leading Lawyers for Business: Recognized in Energy: Power (Transactional) (Band 1)
  - “He is stellar, thoughtful, strategic, really helpful and I feel really comfortable having him at the table”
  - “...a breadth of energy project experience and a strong background as a nuclear

engineer to offer clients an impressive degree of industry knowledge”

- **The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory:** Recognized in Construction Law; Energy (Electricity); Energy (Oil & Gas); Infrastructure Law; Project Finance; [Ontario’s leading construction lawyers in 2021](#); [Toronto’s top oil and gas lawyers in 2021](#); [Toronto’s leading infrastructure lawyers in 2021](#)
- **Best Lawyers in Canada:** Recognized in Construction Law, Energy Law, Public Finance Law, Public Procurement Law and Project Finance Law
- **The Legal 500:** Recognized as a Leading Lawyer, Energy and Natural Resources: Power; Recommended Lawyer, Infrastructure and Projects, Public Procurement
- **IFLR 1000: *The Guide to the World’s Leading Financial Law Firms*:** Recognized in Project Development (Market Leader)
- **Who’s Who Legal:** Recognized in International – Energy, Government Contracts and Project Finance; Canada – Energy, Government Contracts and Project Finance
- **Thomson Reuters:** “Stand-out Lawyer”
- **Lexpert Special Edition:** Recognized in Energy

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Credentials

Education

- Osgoode Hall Law School, LL.B.
- Professional Engineers Ontario, P.Eng.
- University of Toronto, B.A.Sc. (Engineering Science, Nuclear and Thermal Power)

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Languages

- English

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Professional Affiliations

- Law Society of Ontario
- Professional Engineers Ontario
- Ontario Bar Association
- The Canadian Council for Public-Private Partnerships
- Canadian Construction Association
- Ontario Energy Association