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Elizabeth practices regulatory and administrative law, with a particular focus on transportation matters.

Her regulatory and disputes practice includes advancing and defending Canadian Transportation Agency proceedings, including noise and vibration complaints, crossing applications, and applications for authorizations for new railway construction. Elizabeth handles appeals from administrative decisions, including Agency decisions appealed to the Federal Court of Appeal. Elizabeth also advises on submissions to government agencies on proposed regulations and standards.

In addition to her advocacy work, Elizabeth provides regulatory and commercial advice across Canada, including:

1. negotiating rail crossing agreements, facility rights of way agreements for linear energy and telecommunications infrastructure, services agreements, and leases and licences of railway property;
2. facilitating construction projects on railway lands including the closure of existing rail crossing and the development of transportation infrastructure;
3. providing sundry regulatory compliance advice in connection with railway operations and other transportation matters; and
4. advising institutional landowners on development matters, including disputes with municipalities.

Elizabeth has appeared before the Federal Court, Federal Court of Appeal, provincial and superior courts of British Columbia and Alberta, and the Canadian Transportation Agency.

Insights & Events

- Author, "What gives the Agency the right (to be heard on appeal)? Lessons from WestJet v Lareau", BLG Article, July 2024
- Author, "All Aboard! Alberta Government Announces Master Plan to Build Passenger Rail", BLG Article, May 2024
- Co-Author, "A Railway Focused Overview of *Bill C-33: Strengthening the Port System and Railway Safety in Canada Act*", *The Transportation Lawyer*, May 2023

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Professional Involvement

- Past President, Canadian Transport Lawyers' Association (2024-2025)
- President, Canadian Transport Lawyers' Association (2023-2024)
- Vice-President & Secretary, Canadian Transport Lawyers' Association (2022-2023)
- Treasurer, Canadian Transport Lawyers' Association (2021-2022)
- Director of Communications, Canadian Transport Lawyers' Association (2020-2021)
- Director for Alberta, Saskatchewan, and Manitoba, Canadian Transport Lawyers' Association (2019-2020)
- Member, Association of Transportation Law Professionals
- Member, Calgary Bar Association
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, Law Society of British Columbia
- Member, League of Railway Women

Community Involvement

- Director and Board Member, Chrysalis

Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2025 edition (and since 2024) of *Chambers Canada – Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business* (Transport: Rail & Road - Nationwide).
- Recognized in the 2024 edition of the *Lexpert Special Edition on Canada's Leading Infrastructure Lawyers*
- Recognized in the 2024 edition (and since 2023) of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* (Consistently Recommended - Transportation (Road & Rail))

Bar Admission & Education

- Alberta, 2013
- British Columbia, 2009
- Bachelor of Arts (B.A.), University of British Columbia, 2004
- Doctor of Law (J.D.), University of British Columbia, 2008



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