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### Domaines de pratique

Litige en droit commercial et en droit des sociétés
Gouvernance d'entreprise et sociétés ouvertes
Arbitrage international
Mode alternatif de résolution des conflits
Construction
Litige et résolution des différends
Propriété intellectuelle
Litiges relatifs aux projets

### Secteurs d'activité

Pétrole et gaz

### Disponible en Anglais seulement

Jordan Bierkos is an associate in our Litigation Group in Calgary. He is an advocate and strategic advisor who helps clients solve pressing and challenging problems. Jordan maintains a general corporate commercial litigation practice where he assists clients with dispute prevention, containment, and resolution, including through litigation or arbitration.

Clients regularly seek out Jordan's advice and advocacy to help them navigate complex disputes often involving complex legal issues, significant reputational or strategic concerns, multiple parties, and/or significant damages claims.

Jordan has appeared as counsel before Courts in Alberta and Saskatchewan, and the Alberta Securities Commission. Jordan is frequently involved in arbitrations, both ad hoc and institutional, and domestic and international. Having been lead or co-counsel in several trials and arbitration hearings, he understands how to advocate clearly and persuasively from initial demand through closing argument.

Jordan's experience spans areas including contractual and quasi-contractual disputes, commercial leasing, corporate governance and director and officer liability, shareholder disputes, and employment-related claims. He assists clients in industries ranging from energy and construction, to sport and entertainment.

Clients appreciate Jordan's ability to distill complex matters into actionable insights. He has written various thought leadership articles and is a contributing author to several texts including <u>Prompt Payment, Adjudication</u> <u>and Construction Liens in Alberta, 2021-2022</u>, published by <u>Carswell Thomson Reuters</u>, Virtual Advocacy: Litigating from a Distance, published by <u>LexisNexis</u>, and Practical Law Canada's <u>Attachment (Freezing or Mareva) Orders: Overview (Canada)</u>, published by <u>Thomson Reuters</u>.

# Construction and Infrastructure

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Jordan regularly advises clients involved in construction and infrastructure projects. Jordan is trusted by clients to provide real-time strategic advice as projects unfold, as well as representation in dispute resolution processes, including those arising under construction legislation. Jordan acts for project owners, lenders, general contractors, subcontractors, and material suppliers. Jordan is a RICS-ADRIC certified Adjudication Advocate.

### **Corporate Disputes**

Jordan represents corporations and their stakeholders in a broad range of corporate disputes, including corporate fraud, shareholder disputes, purchase and sale agreements, oppression claims, director negligence, and claims involving ownership and use of corporate proprietary information.

### Civil Enforcement

Jordan is regularly involved in matters requiring recourse to both interim and final enforcement measures, including *Mareva* injunctions, attachment orders, and Anton Pillar orders (civil search warrants). Jordan has experience with complex international enforcement efforts, including involving the interpretation and application of sanctions regimes.

### **Energy Industry**

Jordan has broad experience with claims arising in the energy industry, including regarding assets and asset packages in multiple jurisdictions.

Jordan is regularly called upon to resolve disputes regarding operations, capital projects, corporate and asset acquisitions or dispositions.

## **Entertainment Industry**

Jordan has a Certificate in Entertainment Law from Osgood Hall Law School of York University. Jordan has advised amateur and professional athletes regarding team selection, contract negotiation, and intellectual property protection and commercialization. Jordan has also advised certified player agents in all aspects of the business of athlete agencies.

# **Background**

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Jordan received his Juris Doctor from the University of Calgary, following a Bachelor of Physical Education (with distinction) from the University of Alberta. Prior to and during law school, Jordan worked as a strength and conditioning coach for professional and elite amateur athletes. During law school, Jordan volunteered with Student Legal Assistance and participated in several moot competitions, including the Hockey Arbitration Competition of Canada.

Jordan was on the executive of the Sport and Entertainment Law Society, the U of C chapter of Christian Legal Fellowship, and was the coach and captain of the U of C's Law Rugby team.

In 2015, Jordan was awarded the Grant McKibben Prize, which is presented to a graduating student who epitomizes the energy and spirit of the Calgary Law School community. Jordan is a member of the Canadian Bar Association, Calgary Bar Association, Christian Legal Fellowship, and an associate of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

## Prix et distinctions

# **Chambers Canada**

Leading Lawyer - Litigation: General Commercial - Alberta

# **Best Lawyers in Canada**

Ones to Watch: Corporate and Commercial Litigation, Alternative Dispute Resolution

# Mandats récents

 VINCI Infrastructure Canada Limited choisie comme soumissionnaire pour le contrat IAC relatif à la conception et la construction du barrage de Springbank

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# **Publications récentes**

 Prompt Payment, Adjudication and Construction Liens in Alberta: Un guide juridique complet pour l'industrie de la construction en Alberta (en anglais seulement)

22 mars 2023

 Virtual Advocacy: Litigating from a Distance (Disponible en anglais seulement)

28 février 2023

Bill 62: Welcome Guidance and Further Amendments to Alberta's
 Prompt Payment and Construction Lien Act

21 avril 2021

 Saving Paper Could Cost You – Potential Perils of Incorporating Terms by Reference: Razar Contracting Services Ltd v. Evoqua Water

5 octobre 2021