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Stela's practice focuses on construction litigation and arbitration. She provides strategic resolution-focused advice to owners, contractors and subcontractors in construction and engineering disputes.

Stela specializes in the resolution of complex construction disputes. She has comprehensive experience in the mediation, arbitration and litigation of commercial, industrial and large-scale infrastructure projects arising from contractual disputes, design issues, engineering issues, negligence claims, construction deficiencies and delay claims. Stela focuses on maximizing her clients' chances of success, including in identifying cost-effective ways to resolve disputes without the time and risk of lengthy litigation or arbitration proceedings.

Stela also practises insurance, tort liability and dispute resolution. She advises and represents parties on various lawsuits involving claims of serious personal injury, professional negligence, product liability, class actions and property losses.

Experience

- Counsel for a design-build contractor in a dispute arising out of the design and construction of a major ring road project in southern Alberta.
- Counsel for the owner of a sulphur forming facility involving a dispute with the EPC contractor.
- Defended a breach of contract and negligence claim that arose from an explosion and destruction of a decoking facility at the CNRL Horizon Project in the oil sands.

- Counsel for an EPC contractor involving a dispute with the owner of a carbon capture plant.

Insights & Events

- Author, "Jurisdictional jenga: Understanding the challenges of multi-jurisdictional proceedings", BLG Article, October 2023
- Co-Author, "Jurisdictional Jenga: Understanding the Challenges of Multi-Jurisdictional Proceedings," Class Action Defence Quarterly, September 2023
- Author, "Navigating the maze of AI regulations: Tips for preparing your business compliance programs", BLG Article, July 2023
- Author, "Part 1 - Current and consequences: Understanding environmental impacts of transmission lines", BLG Article, June 2023
- Author, "Adjudication under the PPCLA: Exercise caution and act early", BLG Article, June 2023
- Author, "Why purchase orders alone are not enough: Keep consistent or lose the benefit of the arbitration clause", BLG Article, May 2023
- Author, "Case summary of Concrete Equities Inc. (Re)", BLG Article, July 2022
- Author, "Uncertain terms: Absence of a formal agreement on construction projects", BLG Article, June 2022
- Author, "Top 10 recent legal developments impacting commercial litigation in Alberta", BLG Article, March 2022
- Co-Author, "Project delay in the CCDC context" On-Site Magazine, February 2021

Beyond our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member, Law Society of Alberta
- Member, Canadian Bar Association, Construction Law Section, Southern Alberta
- Member, Calgary Bar Association
- Member, The Advocates' Society

Community Involvement

- Association of Women in Law
- Canadian Association of Women in Construction

Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2024 (and since 2023) edition of *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada* (Construction Law)

Bar Admission & Education

- Alberta, 2019
- BA (with Distinction), University of Calgary, 2015



- JD, University of Calgary, 2018

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