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MICHAEL FARACE LL.B, B.A. (HONS.)

Featured Area of Practice: Commercial Litigation

Michael Farace is a seasoned lawyer with years of experience, bringing his expertise to Devry Smith Frank LLP ('DSF') as a partner in the commercial litigation department. Having been called to the Bar in 1989, he possesses extensive knowledge and a wealth of practical experience in the field.

Before joining DSF, Michael worked at a renowned national law firm in Toronto, where he specialized in commercial litigation, construction law and Occupational Health and Safety law. Throughout his lengthy career, he has successfully represented clients in a variety of legal settings, including arbitrations, the License Appeal Tribunal, Small Claims Court, Ontario Court of Justice, Superior Court of Ontario, and Court of Appeal for Ontario.

Michael's legal practice encompasses a wide range of areas, including commercial law, construction law, real estate law, civil litigation, and defense in by-law and provincial offense matters. With a wealth of experience and expertise in these fields, Michael provides valuable legal advice, skillful representation in litigation and arbitration, and guidance to clients.

Michael has built extensive expertise in advising and representing various professionals and entities, including architects, infrastructure contractors, mortgagees/mortgagors, commercial landlords and tenants, property managers, general contractors/land developers, residential and commercial construction builders, and title insurers. He is well-versed in preparing both standard and customized construction contracts for diverse projects, spanning residential, commercial, industrial, and infrastructure sectors.

In addition to his corporate clients, Michael serves as a trusted legal counsel to owner-managed companies, entrepreneurs, private individuals, and charitable corporations. His breadth of experience allows him to effectively address the unique needs and challenges faced by clients from various backgrounds.

Beyond his professional endeavors, Michael actively contributes to his community. He served as a valued member of the coaching staff for numerous minor hockey teams in both the Streetsville Amateur Minor Hockey Association and the Meadowvale Minor Hockey Association. Furthermore, he shared his legal expertise as a Business Law instructor at Sheridan College. These additional roles showcase Michael's commitment to both his profession and making a positive impact outside the office.

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