



# Van Krkachovski

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Van joined the firm as a partner in 1998, after having been a partner at another major Toronto litigation firm.

Van's practice involves personal injury, motor vehicle claims, trucking and cargo losses, accident benefits, occupiers' liability, municipal liability, property loss, insurance contract claims, environmental claims, products liability, assault, sexual abuse, and malicious prosecution. He is an experienced trial counsel, having appeared at all levels of the Ontario court system.

*Partner*

*Bar Admission: 1986*

## Practice Areas

Accident Benefits  
Automobile Fraud  
Construction Law  
Environmental Liability  
General Casualty & Special Risks  
Health, Life & Disability Insurance  
Human Rights, Harassment & Abuse  
Insurance Coverage  
Malpractice & Health Care Litigation  
Marine Law  
Mediation, Arbitration & ADR  
Personal Injury  
Product Liability  
Property Insurance  
Transportation Law

In addition to his practice, Van has also taken up the position of Mediator. As a litigator who has acted for both plaintiffs and defendants, Van brings to the table as mediator, the ability to engage with lawyers and clients alike, the ability to listen and respond with a balanced point of view, and a fairness to the process for all individuals involved. Van believes an effective mediator is essential in maximizing the likelihood of success given the cost of litigation and delay in getting to a pre-trial let alone a trial. Van is taking this opportunity to gather his experience from years of practice and applying them to help resolve disputes in a timely, responsive and gratifying way.

## Education

- Bachelor of Arts, University of Toronto - 1981
- Bachelor of Laws, Osgoode Hall Law School - 1984

## Featured Cases

- Case Summary: Carneiro et al and Regional Municipality of Durham et al and Zurich Insurance Company Ltd., 2015 ONSC 2427, Van Krkachovski & Peter Vlaar, May 2015
- Case Study: Rideau Acres Ltd. v. Lombard Canada Ltd. - Van Krkachovski, April 2012

## Publications & Speeches Sampling (See web bio for full list)

- Strategies for Managing Claims related to Subjective Illnesses or Injuries in a Mediation
- An overview of the statutory obligations for insurers to participate in mediation and to attempt to settle
- Altering the Litigation Landscape: Mary Carter Agreements and Stamatopoulos et al v. Harris et al, 2014 ONSC 6313
- Future Care Costs: Preparation and Mitigation by Van Krkachovski, First presented at an MB Client Seminar

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- A Defence Lawyer's Guide to Investigating Modern Insurance Fraud by Van Krkachovski, Presented at the Medical Legal Society of Toronto
- Part II: Litigating Oil Leak Claims: Trucking and Marine Accidents: Oils Spills and Liability for Environmental Remediation by Van Krkachovski, Presented at an MB Environmental Law Seminar

### Professional & Business Affiliations

- Law Society of Upper Canada
- Canadian Bar Association
- The Advocates' Society
- Metro Toronto Lawyers Association
- Medical Legal Society
- Ontario Trucking Association
- Trucking Industry Defense Association
- Transportation Lawyers Association
- Canadian Transport Lawyers Association
- Defence Research Institute



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