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Practice Areas

Construction

Infrastructure/P3

Jeff Scorgie is a partner in the Construction Practice Group at WeirFoulds with a practice that focuses on drafting and negotiating contracts and advising on other “front end” aspects of construction projects.

Jeff assists his clients in reviewing, drafting and negotiating contracts and providing advice throughout the course of a project as disputes or issues arise. Jeff has experience reviewing, negotiating and drafting all manner of construction contracts including design-build, construction management, EPC, development, consulting and supply agreements. Jeff has significant experience working with bespoke and industry standard form contracts (including CCDC, OPSS, CCA, ACEC, MEA/ACEC, RAIC and OAA contracts). Jeff also routinely provides strategic advice on procurement, tendering and project structuring. His clients include public and private owners, developers, contractors, subcontractors, suppliers, consultants and project managers.

Jeff gives back to the construction industry by providing his knowledge and insight at conferences, webinars and other educational opportunities. Jeff co-chairs the popular webinar series “Tools for Success”, which is focused on practical insights and tips for those in the construction industry. He previously served as an instructor of the “Law and Construction Contracts” course at the School of Construction Management and Trades / School of Architectural Studies at George Brown College.

Before joining WeirFoulds, Jeff received a Bachelor of Arts (specializing in Political Science) from the University of Toronto in 2011. He then went on to receive his Juris Doctor from the University of Ottawa in 2014.

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Called to the Bar

- Ontario (2015)

Education

- J.D., cum laude, University of Ottawa, 2014
- B.A. (Hons.), University of Toronto, 2011

Affiliations

- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Bar Association

Awards

Repeatedly recognized by *Best Lawyers in Canada: Ones to Watch* as an upcoming leading practitioner in Construction Law

Speaking Engagements

- Speaker, "Changes to Ontario's Construction Act: What's New and How It Will Work", Critical Updates for Construction Law and Practice in Ontario, Osgoode Professional Development, Toronto, ON, April 9, 2025
- Speaker, "Tackling the Low Bidder Challenge: Breakthrough Strategies for Competitive Bidding in Project Procurement", Navigating Risk in Construction Contracts & Projects, Toronto, ON, February 27, 2025
- Speaker, "Construction Law Update: Navigating the Latest Developments and Trends", 2025 OWWA Construction Seminar, Ontario Water Works Association, Mississauga, ON, February 6, 2025
- Speaker, "Construction Law Update: Navigating the Latest Developments and Trends", The Buildings Show 2024, Toronto, ON, December 4, 2024
- Co-Host, "Tools for Success: A Construction Webinar Series - Season 8", WeirFoulds LLP, Online, November 7 to December 5, 2024
- Instructor, "The Usual Suspects: The Contract Documents You May Not Have Noticed", The Construction Institute of Canada, Online, June 26, 2024 & October 9, 2024
- Instructor, "Construction Law Update", Clark Construction Management, Online, May 17 - June 21, 2024
- Speaker, "Construction Law and Contracts", West End Home Builder's Association, Toronto, ON, June 20, 2024
- Speaker, "The Other Guys: The Contract Documents You Rarely Think About", Architectural Woodwork Manufacturers Association of Canada, Toronto, ON, June 11, 2024
- Speaker, "Ontario's Excess Soils Regulation and Contaminated Sites 2024, CANECT 24, Vaughn, ON, April 24, 2024
- Co-Host, "Tools for Success: A Construction Webinar Series - Season 7", WeirFoulds LLP, Online, April 18 to May 30, 2024
- Speaker, "Architects and Adjudication (Under the Ontario Construction Act): How Does This Affect Your Practice?", Ontario Association of Architects, Online, April 11, 2024
- Speaker, "Contract Conundrums: Navigating Construction Challenges from the Legal, Expert, and Contractor Perspective", Chartered Institute of Building & WeirFoulds LLP, Toronto, ON, April 10, 2024
- Speaker, "Architects and Prompt Payment (Under the Ontario Construction Act): How Does

This Affect Your Practice?", Ontario Association of Architects, Online, April 4, 2024

- Instructor, "Decoding the Federal Prompt Payment for Construction Work Act: Adjudication", Canadian Construction Association, Online, February 15, 2024
- Instructor, "Decoding the Federal Prompt Payment for Construction Work Act: Prompt Payment", Canadian Construction Association, Online, February 1, 2024
- Co-Host, "Tools for Success: A Construction Webinar Series - Season 6", WeirFoulds LLP, Online, October 5 to November 30, 2023
- Speaker (with Michael Swartz), "Hierarchy of Precedence Construction Contracts", Architectural Woodwork Manufacturers Association of Canada 2023 National Convention, Toronto, ON, June 10, 2023
- Speaker, "Ontario's Excess Soils Regulation and Contaminated Sites", CANECT 2023, Vaughn, ON, May 10, 2023
- Speaker (with Michael Swartz), "Top 10 Red Flags to Look for When Bidding on or Negotiating Construction Contracts", Kingston Construction Association, Kingston, ON, April 11, 2023
- Speaker, "Coffee with Counsel", Ontario Public Buyers Association, Online, April 12, 2023
- Co-Host, "Tools for Success: A Construction Webinar Series - Season 5", WeirFoulds LLP, Online, March 9 to May 4, 2023
- Speaker, "Construction Law Update: Legal Realities for Today and Tomorrow", The Buildings Show, November 30, 2022
- Speaker, "Ontario's New Excess Soils Regulations and Contaminated Sites", CANECT, November 16, 2022
- Co-Host, "Tools for Success: A Construction Webinar Series - Season 4", WeirFoulds LLP, Online, September 29 to November 10, 2022
- Co-Speaker (with Krista Chaytor), "A Conversation About Contracts – Emerging Trends and Challenges", EACC Annual General Meeting & Conference, May 26, 2022
- Speaker, "Municipal Infrastructure Projects Update," WeirFoulds LLP, Online, April 25, 2022
- Co-Speaker (with Krista Chaytor), "New CCA 1-2021 Stipulated Price Subcontract & Best Practices: What you need to know", Webinar, Barrie Construction Association, March 24, 2022
- Co-Host, "Tools for Success: A Construction Webinar Series - Season 3", WeirFoulds LLP, Online, March 10 to April 28, 2022
- Co-Speaker (with Michael Swartz), "New CCA 1-2021 Stipulated Price Subcontract & Best Practices: What you need to know", Webinar, Link2Build, March 23, 2022
- Speaker, "The Construction Record – Episode 122: Surety and Bonding Part 3 Rapid Fire Edition", Construct Canada, Online, June 4, 2021
- Speaker, "Excess Soils Regulation 406/19 Webinar", Ontario Public Buyers Association, Online, June 3, 2021
- Co-Speaker (with Michael Swartz), " New CCDC 2 – Stipulated Price Contract & Contract Best Practices: What you need to know", Webinar, Kingston Construction Association, March 10, 2021
- Co-Host, "Tools for Success: A Construction Webinar Series", WeirFoulds LLP, Online, April 1-June 10, 2021
- Panelist, "Digging In: Three Months Later... Ontario's New Regulation for Excess Soil (Part 2)", WeirFoulds LLP, Online, March 25, 2021
- Speaker, "Ontario's New Excess Soil Regulation: What You Need to Know ", CANECT, Online, February 25, 2021
- Panelist, "Digging In: Ontario's New Regulation for Excess Soil (Part 1)", WeirFoulds LLP, Online, January 14, 2021

- Speaker, "Everything You Need to Know About the New CCDC 2 Contract", FCA Insurance Brokers, Online, January 27, 2021
- Co-Speaker (with Michael Swartz), "Identifying & Managing Risk in Construction Documents with the New Construction Law Act", Presentation Delivered to a Private Institution, May 1, 2019
- Speaker, Muskoka Builders Association, Education Session, Bracebridge, January 30, 2019
- Instructor, "Law and Construction Contracts", George Brown College, School of Construction Management and Trades / School of Architectural Studies, 2015 to Present

Media Mentions

- *Daily Commercial News*, "[AI in Construction: Legal implications for the new frontier](#)", October 26, 2023
- *Daily Commercial News*, "['Golden goose' of project delays is unforeseen site conditions: WeirFoulds](#)", May 8, 2023
- *Daily Commercial News*, "[Contract cheat sheet critical at the outset of a project](#)", April 13, 2023
- *Daily Commercial News*, "[Technology vastly changing e-discovery process: WeirFoulds webinar speaker](#)", March 31, 2023
- *Daily Commercial News*, "[Legal Notes: Understanding early occupancy under the new CDCC contracts](#)", February 2, 2022

Publications

- Here's The Drill: Ontario to Implement Important Updates to the Construction Act in 2025, December 02, 2024
- Recent Court Decision Provides Guidance for How Owners Can Act With Due Diligence in the Context of OHS Charges, September 23, 2024
- Here's the Drill: Stay Up to Date with Recent CCDC Construction Contract Standard Form Updates, September 05, 2024
- Here's the Drill: The Court in *Sjostrom Sheet Metal Ltd. v. Geo A. Kelson Company Limited* Confirms That a Cost-Plus Contract is Not Equivalent to a Blank Cheque, April 08, 2024
- Here's The Drill: Court Rules that Sending a Thumbs-Up Emoji Can Constitute Acceptance of a Contract, August 01, 2023
- Here's the Drill: Five Important Tips for Contractors to Comply with the Prompt Payment Rules under the Ontario *Construction Act*, May 08, 2023
- Here's the Drill: COCA's Helpful Resource for Learning About Prompt Payment and Adjudication, January 04, 2023
- Here's the Drill: "Pay When Paid" Clauses in Subcontracts, December 01, 2022
- Here's the Drill: The New Owner-Architect Contract Released by the Ontario Association of Architects: the OAA 600-2021, November 21, 2022
- Here's the Drill: A Reminder for Contractors: Are Your Invoices Actually "Proper"?, October 28, 2022
- Excess Soil Regulation Partial Pause Commences April 20, until December 31, 2022 – What you need to know!, April 21, 2022
- Here's the Drill: Early Occupancy in Construction Contracts: How does it really Work?, March 30, 2022
- Here's the Drill: The New CCA 1 – 2021: Stipulated Price Subcontract, March 10, 2022

- [Here's the Drill: Commingling of Funds – Carillion Canada, August 19, 2021](#)
- [Here's the Drill: Strategic Procurement – Drawbacks of Using Nonnegotiable Supplementary Conditions in RFPs, February 17, 2021](#)