



## Jeremy Barretto

Partner

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### Expertise

- Regulatory
- Aboriginal
- Energy
- Mining
- Infrastructure
- Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG)

### Biography

Jeremy Barretto (he/him/his) is a partner at Cassels and serves as Chair of the firm's national [Regulatory Law Group](#). He has extensive regulatory, environmental, and [Aboriginal law](#) experience. Jeremy frequently represents proponents in obtaining approvals and negotiating agreements for resource development projects across Canada. He has expertise in renewable energy, oil and gas, mining, and infrastructure development. Jeremy published the book *The Law of Indigenous Ownership and Projects* with Thomson Reuters and has published articles in the Alberta Law Review and Globe and Mail.

Jeremy previously worked in environmental engineering, earning his Professional Engineer designation. He is recognized as a leader in his field by *Best Lawyers*, *Chambers Canada*, and *Chambers Global*. Jeremy has delivered guest lectures in the faculties of law and business at the University of Calgary, University of Alberta, University of Toronto and Osgoode Hall Law School.

Jeremy's representative work includes having acted for:

- Trans Mountain Corporation, since 2012, with regard to regulatory, land, and tolling approvals for the proposed \$30 billion 1,147 km Trans Mountain Expansion Project, including more than 100 route hearing regulatory processes before the Canada Energy Regulator
- Potentia Renewables Inc. with regard to its Alberta Utilities Commission wind energy approvals for its Jenner 1, 2, and 3 wind power projects, which are projected to collectively produce over 300 MW of power
- Prince Rupert Port Authority with respect to federal environmental assessment determinations and associated judicial reviews
- Generation Mining Inc. as lead counsel with respect to its 2022 federal-provincial Joint Review Panel hearing for its Marathon Palladium Project; the hearing involved more than 50 participants, including Indigenous communities and government agencies
- Veresen Inc. with regard to regulatory and environmental aspects of its \$9.7 billion arrangement agreement with

## Achievements

- *Best Lawyers in Canada* (Energy Regulatory Law)
- *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* (Energy: Oil & Gas)
- *Chambers Canada* (Aboriginal Law, Energy: Oil & Gas – Regulatory)
- *Chambers Global* (Aboriginal Law, Energy: Oil & Gas – Regulatory)
- *Legal500 Canada* (Power)
- *Lexpert Special Edition*, Energy and Mining

## Client Commentary

- “For a regulatory matter, Jeremy would be my first choice.” – *Chambers Canada (Regulatory)*
- “His communication skills are outstanding, ensuring his clients are always well-informed and supported.” – *Chambers Canada (Regulatory)*
- “I’ve been impressed by his depth of knowledge, attention to detail and strategic acumen.” – *Chambers Canada (Regulatory)*
- “Jeremy Barretto is an exemplary legal professional whose dedication to his clients and mastery of his craft is truly commendable.” – *Chambers Canada (Regulatory)*
- “He is very knowledgeable, practical, responsive and efficient.” – *Chambers Canada (Aboriginal)*
- “Jeremy is a strong lawyer and provides exceptional customer service.” – *Chambers Canada (Aboriginal)*
- “Jeremy is a very talented lawyer. He is practical, responsive, and listens to the client.” – *Chambers Canada (Aboriginal)*
- “Jeremy is a very good lawyer in the area.” – *Chambers*

## *Canada (Aboriginal)*

- “He has a great knowledge base, he’s a great communicator and he has the ability to view things at the ten thousand foot level and to drill down into the detail when necessary.” – *Chambers Canada (Energy: Oil & Gas – Regulatory)*
- “In tense situations, he doesn’t get rattled – he’s quick to counter challenges and come up with arguments that are forceful. He’s got a strong technical background too, he understood the technical arguments and could handle that as well as the legal matters.” – *Chambers Canada (Energy: Oil & Gas – Regulatory)*
- “He’s very good on strategy in complex regulatory work.” – *Chambers Canada (Energy: Oil & Gas – Regulatory)*

## **Recent Representative Work**

- Geotech Drilling Services Completes Sale to Soletanche Freyssinet SAS
- Pyrophyte and Sio Silica Enter into Business Combination
- McLeod Lake Indian Band Signs Agreement for \$7 Billion Clean Energy Project
- Gibson Energy, Capstone Infrastructure and Sawridge First Nation Enter into Renewable Energy Power Purchase Agreement
- Benchmark Metals to Acquire Thesis Gold

## **Insights**

- Protected: Powering Economic Reconciliation: Revisions to Alberta Utilities AUC Rule 007 Address Electricity and Gas Utilities Projects Developed in Partnership with Indigenous Communities
- Unlocking Canada’s Potential to Build Projects: The Need for Swift and Consensus-Driven Government Leadership
- Power Surge: Legal Landscape of Data Centre Development in Canada

## **Pro Bono & Community Involvement**

- Canadian Bar Association, Member-at-Large, National Energy, Environment & Resources Law Section
- Canadian Energy Law Foundation (CELF), Board of Directors
- Beltline Urban Murals Project, Pro-bono Counsel

- Business Renewables Centre Canada, Advisory Board Member
- Canadian Climate Law Initiative, Expert
- Contemporary Calgary, Board Member

## **Education / Bar Admissions**

- J.D., Osgoode Hall Law School, 2010
- M.Eng. (Environmental Engineering), University of Calgary, 2008
- B.Sc. (Civil Engineering), University of Calgary, 2004
- Alberta, 2011
- British Columbia, 2019
- Ontario, 2022

## **Associations**

- Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Alberta, Professional Engineer (P.Eng.)
- Calgary Bar Association
- Canadian Bar Association
- Law Society of Alberta
- Law Society of British Columbia
- Law Society of Ontario