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Expertise
Pension Plan Surpluses, Pension Fund Investments, Public Sector Pension and Benefit Plans, Pension and Benefit Litigation and Regulatory Proceedings, Multi-Employer Pension and Benefit Plans

Called to the Bar
Ontario, 1992

British Columbia, 2013

Michael Mazzuca is a Partner in Koskie Minsky's Pension and Employee Benefits Group and a member of the Firm's Executive Committee. Michael has extensive experience in providing legal advice across Canada to multi-employer pension plans (MEPPs), jointly sponsored pension plans and other jointly governed plans, including health and welfare plans and training funds. He also advises trade unions as well as plan member and retiree groups across Canada concerning legal matters related to plan governance, fiduciary duties and plan investments.

Michael's experience includes litigating significant pension and benefit cases before administrative tribunals and various levels of court across Canada including class actions. Also, Michael has represented clients before the Ontario Financial Services Tribunal on matters relating to statutory and regulatory compliance, including partial wind-ups and funding requirements.

Michael is a former adjunct professor at the University of Western Ontario, Faculty of Law and is a regular speaker at conferences on pensions and employee benefits.

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Experience

- MEPPs' Fight for Solvency Funding Relief
- Gay Lea Foods (Participating Cooperatives of Ontario Trusteed Revised Pension Plan)
- Aegon Canada Inc. v. ING Canada Inc.

Education

J.D., 1990, University of Toronto

B.A., 1987, University of Toronto

Member/Affiliations

Director, Multi-Employer Benefit Plan Council of Canada

Former Chair, Canadian Bar Association, Pension and Benefits Section

Former Chair, Legal Advisory Committee of the Ontario Financial Services Tribunal

Member, MEPP Advisory Committee of the Financial Services Commission of Ontario

Member, Ontario Bar Association

Member, International Pension and Employee Benefits Lawyers' Association

Member, Canadian Pension and Benefits Institute

Member, International Foundation of Employee Benefits Plans

Recent Publications

March 2017: Is Bigger Better When it Comes to Pensions and Benefits?