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STEPHEN RICHARD MORRISON, LL.B., C. Arb, C. Med, FCI Arb

Experience

2015–Present Stephen Richard Morrison ADR Inc. Toronto, Ont. President

- Engaged exclusively as a neutral mediator and arbitrator of commercial, construction, infrastructure, transportation, power generation, environmental, mining and development disputes
- Accredited by the ADR Institute of Canada as a Certified Arbitrator and Certified Mediator
- Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

1999–2014 Cassels Brock & Blackwell LLP Toronto, Ont. Partner

- Practiced primarily in the area of litigation and ADR involving complex commercial and real estate development disputes.
- Frequently served as a mediator and arbitrator.
- Regularly listed in Best Lawyers in Canada, Lexpert, and Martindale-Hubbell

1982–1998 The Rose Group Toronto, Ont. President and Director

An affiliated, yet diversified, group of private and publicly-traded companies which carried on the business of land development and mezzanine lending as The Rose Corporation and Ensco Inc., U.S. based oil and gas development as Trinity Resources Limited, manufacturing and distribution of radio and telephony products as Teleradio Limited, general insurance as Heritage General Insurance Company, U.S. based automotive parts manufacturing as The Equion Corporation, real estate investment and related financial services, and merchant banking with holdings in carpet manufacturing, industrial heat exchanger production, financial services, and executive search as Navida Inc. During nearly eighteen years in this environment, gained significant experience in public company management and disciplines, including audit and investor relations, negotiated and managed numerous acquisitions, mergers, divestitures, institutional and private financings, and other corporate development activities involving public and private entities, with significant U.S. and cross-border involvement.

1978–1981 Barrister & Solicitor Toronto, Ont.

Engaged as a sole practitioner in the exclusive practice of criminal law, appearing in all levels of Court in Ontario, including the Court of

Appeal, on numerous occasions and as counsel on jury trials and coroner's inquests.

Education

- 1971–1973** **University of Toronto** **Toronto, Ont.**
• University College, Faculty of Commerce and Finance.
- 1973–1976** **Osgoode Hall Law School** **Toronto, Ont.**
• LL.B (Summa cum laude)
- 1999** **Osgoode Hall Law School** **Toronto, Ont.**
• Intensive and Advanced Certificates in Mediation Technique and Practice.

Academic Prizes

- Carswell Publishing Company Award in Family Law, 1974-75.
- William Belmont Common Prize in Criminal Procedure, 1978.

Selected Publications

- *Extradition from Canada: Rights of the Fugitive Following Committal for Surrender*, (1977), 19 Criminal Law Quarterly 366.
- *Representing the Mentally Ill*, Crown's Newsletter, November 1979 (The Ontario Crown Attorney's Association)
- *Drafts of Expert Reports: An Analysis*, (1999) 50 Construction Law Reports (2d) 76
- *Pay When Paid Clauses* 1999 CBB Construction Department Summer Newsletter
- *A Landmark Bonding Decision* 2001 CBB Construction Department Winter Newsletter
- *Architects: Whose Interests Are They Protecting?* 2003, 23 Construction Law Reports, 3d, Part 1, p. 59
- *Deal Mediation: Resolving issues as they arise*, CMA Magazine, March/April 2011, p. 34
- *A Guide to the Perplexed: The ABCs of ADR*, 2012
- *Pass-Through Claims in Construction Disputes*, May 2013, For the Defence,
- *Complex Multiparty Commercial Mediation: Challenges and Strategies*, 2016, Canadian Arbitration and Mediation Journal, Vol. 26, No. 1
- *The Better Way: Pre-Litigation Mediation of Construction Disputes*, 2018, Construction Law Letter, Volume 34, No. 3 (previously Construction Canada, January 2011)
- *Creative Arbitration Design and the First Case Conference*, 2017, in Huberman, "A Practitioner's Guide to Commercial Arbitration", Chapter 7
- *How to Write an Effective Mediation Brief*, Fall 2019, The Advocates' Journal

**Selected
Speaking
Engagements**

- Lumberman's Annual Credit Conference, *Alternative Dispute Resolution*, January 2008
- Credit Institute of Canada CLE Program, *Benefits of Alternative Dispute Resolution*, November 2008
- 31st Annual Construction Specifications Canada Tradeshow, *Alternative Dispute Resolution*, March 2009
- Construction Law Toronto Conference: Construction Law Primer, *Is ADR a Viable Solution for You?*, October 2009
- Association of Corporate Counsel Seminar, *Creative Arbitration of Commercial Disputes -- What Every Corporate Counsel Needs To Know!*, November 2009
- Co-Chair, The Canadian Institute: Managing Risk at the Pre-Tender Stages of Your Construction Project, *Bidding and Tendering Missteps*, September 2009
- Law Society of Upper Canada CLE Seminar: The Missing Client, *Anticipating Your Missing Client*, January 2010
- OIPMAC CLE Program, *Contract Law and Procurement*, May 2011
- Thunder Bay Law Association CLE Program, 2011, *Pre-Litigation Mediation of Commercial Disputes*
- Arbitration Place, Arbitrator of the Month, *Arbitration Heresy*, June 2011
- Law Society of Upper Canada: Six-Minute Real Estate Lawyer, *Horizontal Severances*, November 2011
- Ontario Bar Association, Environmental Law Section, *Mediation of Environmental Disputes*, November 2012
- Lectured on *Mediation and Arbitration of Construction Disputes*, Multiple Years, Osgoode Hall Certificate Program in Construction Law,
- 8th Annual Ontario Gen. Contractors Association Construction Symposium, *Construction Mediation*, April 2013
- ADRIC/ICC Canada Arbitration Conference, *Best Practices for Successful Mediation*, October 2013
- ADRIO, Annual General Meeting, *10 Steps to Greater Efficiency in Arbitration*, June 2014
- ACMO/CCI Conference, *Mediating and Arbitrating Condominium Disputes*, November 2014
- The Canadian Institute, Dispute Resolution for Corporate Counsel, *Why Fail*, January 2015
- ADRIO Business Section Meeting, *Med-Arb Panel Discussion*, January 2016
- Advocates' Society CLE Program, *Tips from the Arbitrators on Effective Advocacy at Arbitration*, February 2016
- Osgoode Hall Professional Development CLE Program, Litigator's Guide to Real Estate, Construction and Leasing Disputes, *Ethical and Professional Issues*, February 2016

- Law Society of Upper Canada: A Primer on Arbitration, *Creative Arbitration Design*, April 2016
- Toronto Commercial Arbitration Society AGM, *Best Practices for Arbitrators with Respect to Pre-Appointment Interviews*, May 2016
- University of Toronto: Diploma in Investigative & Forensic Accounting Program, *Expert Testimony in Court or Before an Arbitration Tribunal*, August 2016
- ADRI National Conference, *Mandatory Mediation-Unintended Consequences*, October 2016
- Counsel of Construction Associations, *Adjudication*, September 2017
- Osgoode Hall Professional Development CLE Program, *Med-Arb: Efficiency or Justice Compromised*, October 2017
- Ontario Bar Association Seminar, *Adjudication Under the New Construction Act*, April 2018
- Chartered Institute of Arbitrators Symposium, *Effective Management of complex Domestic Commercial Arbitration Panel Discussion*, September 2018
- Advocates' Society, *Arbitration Procedure: Panel Discussion*, June 2019
- Law Society of Ontario, *Arbitration: An Update for Civil Litigators*, September 2019
- Ontario Bar Association, *Ethics, Civility and Professional Responsibility in the Courtroom, Mediation and Beyond, Panel Discussion*, November 2019
- Law Society of Ontario, *Virtual Arbitration & Process Design*, May 2021
- Canadian Bar Association Construction and Infrastructure Law Symposium, *Complex Mediations*, Panel Discussion, October 2021

Community Service – Past and Present

- Chair, Finance & Executive Committees, Toronto Commercial Arbitration Society
- Co-Founder, Toronto Commercial Arbitration Society Gold Standard Course in Commercial Arbitration
- ADRIO, Qualified Arbitrator Accreditation Committee
- ADRIO, Chartered Arbitrator Accreditation Committee
- Member, The Advocates' Society
- Executive Committee, Ontario Bar Association, Construction Law Branch
- Director - Energy Probe and Probe International
- Executive Committee – Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto
- President & Executive Committee - Temple Sinai Congregation
- President - Leo Baeck Day School
- Founding Chairman - Kolel: A Centre for Liberal Jewish Learning
- Board Member – URJ Camp George

- Chairman of the Committee on Procedures Affecting Mentally Ill Offenders. - Joint-Committee of the Criminal Lawyers' Association, Office of the Attorney General and the Ministry of Health
- National Treasurer of the Canadian Society for the Abolition of the Death Penalty
- Member of the Criminal Lawyers' Association Prison Liaison and Legal Aid Liaison Committees.

Interests

- Photography, Certified - Professional Photographers of America
- Scuba Diving, Certified ACUC