

The 2026 Edition of the Best Lawyers in Canada recognizes 35 GR lawyers across 23 practice areas

4 September 2025

On Thursday, 4 September 2025, 35 lawyers across 23 practice areas were recognized in the 2026 edition of the **Best Lawyers in Canada** awards. Gardiner Roberts is pleased to congratulate the following lawyers on this achievement:

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- Insurance Law

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