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Andrew practices in the areas of constitutional law, appeals, administrative law, labour and employment law, and pension litigation. He clerked for Madam Justice (now Chief Justice) Beverley McLachlin of the Supreme Court of Canada in 1989-90.

Prior to joining Paliare Roland, he worked at a national law firm, and taught law at Ottawa University and Monash University in Melbourne, Australia. He has appeared in more than 20 cases before the Supreme Court of Canada, and regularly appears before a wide range of other courts and tribunals. He has published widely on subjects relating to public law, and is a frequent speaker on these subjects at seminars and conferences. Since 1992 he has acted as Special Counsel to the Canadian Civil Liberties Association on a pro bono basis, and since 1998 he has been an Adjunct Professor at Osgoode Hall Law School, where he teaches constitutional litigation.

Representative Work

Andrew has acted for public interest organizations, aboriginal groups, trade unions, and individuals in many leading cases that define the rights of Canadians and the limits of government powers.

Awards and Honours

- Best Lawyers in Canada, Administrative and Public Law
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Education:

Cambridge University, B.A.
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University of Toronto, Mus.M.,
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University of Ottawa, LL.B.,
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- Lexpert Leading Lawyer, Litigation Public Law

Community Involvement

- Board of Directors, Canadian Civil Liberties Association

Publications/Presentations

- Lokan & Dassios, Constitutional Litigation in Canada (Carswell: looseleaf, 2006)
- Lokan, A. & Kastner, D., “Constitutional Exemptions: The Remedy that Dare Not Speak its Name” (2009), 27 N.J.C.L. 179
- Lokan, A. & Burbidge, E., “The Federal Court’s Jurisdiction to Apply the Constitution” (2007), 21 N.J.C.L. 155
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- Lokan, A. “The role of expert evidence in Aboriginal rights litigation”, in Magnet & Dorey (eds.), Aboriginal Rights Litigation (LexisNexis, 2003)
- Lokan, A. “From Recognition to Reconciliation: The Functions of Aboriginal Rights Law” (1999), 23 Melb.U.L.Rev. 65
- Lokan, A. “The Rise and Fall of Doctrine under Section 1 of the Charter” (1992), 24 Ottawa L.Rev. 163
- [Click here to watch an interview of Mr. Lokan on BNN’s SqueezePlay](#), speaking about the constitutionality of Canada’s proposed national securities regulator.
- Mr. Lokan was on CTV Newsworld, speaking about the constitutionality of Quebec’s anti-protest law, Bill 78.