



## Sarah E. Gilbert

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### EDUCATION

Queen's University, BSc, 1995

Dalhousie University, MBA, 1997

University of Toronto, LLB, 2000

### BAR ADMISSIONS

Ontario, 2002

Sarah Gilbert provides advice to clients on a full range of environmental and health and safety issues, including those relating to contaminated property, responding to spills and environmental incidents, air (noise/odour) emissions, waste management, sewage and drinking water requirements and chemical and product regulation. Sarah has extensive experience with the transportation of dangerous goods, including the transportation of petroleum crude oil by rail.

"Interviewees find her to be 'very thorough. She digs down into my questions and gives me a lot of background and references,' said one client, adding: 'She's very good at showing me the thinking behind her answers.'"

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Working closely with in-house counsel and environmental, health and safety managers, Sarah helps clients develop regulatory compliance strategies and negotiate resolutions with regulatory agencies and other stakeholders on environmental matters.

Sarah provides advice to vendors, purchasers, lenders, borrowers and underwriters on the environmental aspects of transactions, including environmental liability assessments, deal-specific resolutions and the negotiation and drafting of agreements. She represents clients in enforcement proceedings, including investigations and the defence of prosecutions, as well as administrative proceedings.

Sarah has extensive experience addressing liabilities associated with contaminated property. This includes negotiating resolutions between landowners to address contamination, obtaining approvals from government authorities for remediation plans, filing records of site condition, and advising clients in proceedings relating to contaminated property, including remediation orders and civil actions.

Sarah advises corporations with respect to the development of ESG policies and practices, including the identification and management of ESG risks and opportunities.

Sarah works for clients across a range of sectors, including manufacturing, transportation, real property, chemicals, energy and natural resources, and agribusiness & food.

Sarah is a contributing author to a chapter in the 7th Edition of *Directors' Duties in Canada*, published by LexisNexis in 2021.