

# Blaney McMurtry in Two Finalist Categories at the 2026 Canadian Insolvency Awards

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Blaney McMurtry's involvement in some of the most complex and consequential restructuring and insolvency matters in Canada has been recognized in the nominations for the [2026 Canadian Insolvency Awards](#).

The firm played an integral role in one of the three restructuring transactions and one of the three insolvency litigation matters shortlisted across four national award categories, earning finalist recognition in both "Restructuring of the Year" and the "Changemaker Award".

## [Restructuring of the Year: Ashcroft Homes Group](#)

Blaney McMurtry was counsel to the receiver in respect of several of the Ashcroft Homes Group companies and properties in a complex and multifaceted real estate insolvency spanning student accommodations, seniors' housing and hospitality properties across a large and interrelated corporate structure.

## [Changemaker Award: Hudson's Bay Company Lease Assignment Litigation](#)

Blaney McMurtry was counsel to certain of the landlords in the Hudson's Bay Company CCAA lease assignment litigation involving Ruby Liu, and the related ruling that is now the leading authority on balancing debtor objectives against the rights of contractual counterparties, particularly commercial landlords

Together, these finalist matters underscore Blaney McMurtry's ability to operate at the forefront of Canada's insolvency and restructuring landscape. The firm is regularly entrusted with complex, high-stakes files that demand strategic judgment and an ability to navigate competing stakeholder interests. These recognitions reflect Blaney McMurtry's strength in delivering sophisticated advocacy and commercially grounded solutions on matters of national significance, while retaining the agility, responsiveness, and partner-level involvement that define a leading Ontario regional firm.

Overall winners in each category will be announced at the Canadian Insolvency Awards Gala on February 5, 2026.

Blaney McMurtry extends its congratulations to all nominees, and in particular to the Chief Justice on being recognized with the Outstanding Contribution Award honouring a career of meaningful impact on Canada's insolvency and restructuring community.

#### PEOPLE

- Eric Golden

#### PRACTICES

- Restructuring & Insolvency