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EXPERTISE

Samuel Brückner advises and represents private clients, institutions and public authorities in the fields of construction law, land-use planning and real estate, covering aspects such as zoning, building permits, construction contracts, architect contracts, real estate sales and leases, real property rights and real estate co-ownership (PPE).

He also has strong expertise in administrative law, particularly in the areas of environmental law, civil service law and public procurement law.

Samuel Brückner is a certified SBA Specialist in Construction and Real Estate Law, a title awarded by the Swiss Bar Association.

PRACTICE AREAS

Real estate

Public procurement · Public authorities · Construction & land-use planning · Public domain use ·
Administrative law · Environmental law · Developers · Leases

EXPERIENCES

- Since 2024: Counsel at Borel & Barbey
- 2010 - 2024: Associate at a law Firm in Geneva
- 2007 - 2009: Trainee lawyer at a law Firm in Geneva
- 2006: Trainee lawyer at the Judiciary Power, Geneva
- 2005: In-house legal adviser at the Cantonal Administration, Geneva

EDUCATION

- 2018: Certified Specialist SBA Construction & Real Estate Law
- 2018: Certificate of Advanced Studies in Construction & Real Estate Law (CAS), University of Fribourg
- 2009: Geneva Bar
- 2005: Master of Law (MLaw), Universities of Geneva and Zurich



MEMBERSHIPS _____

- Geneva Bar Association (ODAGE)
- Swiss Bar Association (FSA)
- Chambre des avocats spécialistes FSA droit de la construction et de l'immobilier
- Société genevoise de droit et de législation (SGDL)
- Association pour le droit de l'environnement (ADE)

PUBLICATIONS _____

2025:

- "Nouveautés en droit du bail dès le 1er octobre 2025", September 2025 (with Paul Hanna and Charlotte Vermeil)
- "L'obligation d'anticiper la conversion de bureaux en logements annulée par la Chambre constitutionnelle de la Cour de Justice du canton de Genève", 12 August 2025 (with Giulia Piermartiri)
- "Tout déclassement ne fonde pas un droit à l'indemnisation du propriétaire", Immodroit.ch, newsletter, April 2025

2024:

- "Obligation d'assainissement des chauffages électriques – Conformité au droit supérieur du décret sur l'assainissement des chauffages et chauffe – eaux électriques du 20 décembre 2022", Immodroit.ch, newsletter, June 2024

2023:

- "Limitation du pouvoir de disposition en zone à bâtir : restriction équivalente à une expropriation au sens de l'art. 5 al. 2 LAT ?", Immodroit.ch, newsletter, September 2023
- "Portée de la garantie de la propriété lors de l'adoption de règles constructives destinées à limiter les émissions de CO2", Immodroit.ch, newsletter, July 2023

2019:

- "Les constructions « illicites » en droit public", Journées suisses du droit de la construction 2019, Fribourg

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS _____

2025:

- "How Are ESG Goals Defining Award Criteria for Real Estate Tenders?", AIJA Future-ready cities: public investments in real estate and infrastructure for sustainable growth, Anvers, 07 November 2025

2019:

- "Les constructions « illicites » en droit public", Journées suisses du droit de la construction 2019, Fribourg