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Michael Gottheil has extensive experience and expertise as a litigator, adjudicator, mediator, and educator in the fields of human rights, disability, administrative, labour, and employment law. From 2005 to 2018, Mr. Gottheil served as Chair of the Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario, Executive Chair of the Environment and Land Tribunals Ontario, and the Social Justice Tribunals Ontario. In 2018, he was appointed as Chief of Commission and Tribunals of the Alberta Human Rights Commission, a post he held until November 2021. In May 2022, he was appointed Canada's first Accessibility Commissioner, responsible for ensuring compliance with, and enforcement of Accessibility Regulations established under the Accessible Canada Act.

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