



## **Speaker's Bio**

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Michael's practice focuses primarily on advising charities and not-for-profit organizations with regard to their tax-exempt status, their governance, their programmes and activities and their tax issues. He acts for organizations seeking charitable registration and advises charities on their ongoing obligations and legal compliance under the Income Tax Act. Michael has worked with organizations operating in all areas of the voluntary sector, from healthcare, education, sport and recreation, arts and culture, environmental, relief and social services to religious organizations. He advises on fundraising and receipting issues for charities and has assisted numerous Canadian charities to carry out their work abroad. Michael frequently works with philanthropic individuals and donors to structure their estate plans to meet their charitable goals.