



## Hugo Botter

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### Languages

- Dutch
- English

### Admitted to bar

- The Netherlands

### Membership

- Association of Expropriation Lawyers

### Education

- Tilburg University: Dutch Law (Cum Laude)
- Centre for Professional Legal Education (part of Radboud University Nijmegen: expropriation law (Summa Cum Laude)

### About Hugo Botter

Hugo Botter is a partner and attorney-at-law at AKD who specialises in all issues relating to land. His wealth of experience stands him in good stead when dealing with land acquisition and expropriation matters for infrastructure projects, such as the Driebergen-Zeist railway station district, area development projects, such as Perkpolder, and nature reserves, such as Oostvaarderswold. A special area of Hugo's expertise relates to the Municipalities (Preferential Rights) Act.

He is considered an authority on government liability arising from lawful acts - planning blight, compensation for loss resulting from administrative acts - and unlawful government acts. He represented clients seeking compensation for loss, filing - and winning - multi-million euro claims. Hugo also takes on matters involving the Dutch Roads Act and Road Traffic Act.

Hugo's clients include municipal and provincial executives, water boards and corporates.

Hugo regularly publishes on his areas of expertise. For example, he is the co-author of the VNG book 'Prepared for liability - municipalities and government liability' [Voorbereid op aansprakelijkheid - gemeenten en overheidsaansprakelijkheid]. He also published an article for the *Overheid & Aansprakelijkheid* journal on expropriation as a possible means of reducing nitrogen emissions.