

CURRICULUM VITAE

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PREFERRED AREAS OF PRACTICE:

Civil and insurance litigation, arbitrator.

LITIGATION EXPERIENCE:

- **Civil Litigation:**

Conducted dozens of B.C. Supreme Court civil trials, including civil jury trials. These cases have involved personal injury, medical malpractice, defamation, *Family Compensation Act*, domestic matters, real estate litigation, professional negligence, insider trading issues, partnership and agency disputes, shareholder disputes, products liability, fire insurance, sale of goods, landlord and tenant, estate litigation, wills variation, builders' lien and construction disputes.

- **Appellate:**

Conducted many appeals in the B.C. Court of Appeal involving a broad variety of civil litigation issues.

- **Administrative Hearings:**

Acted as counsel at professional disciplinary hearings before the Law Society of British Columbia, the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of British Columbia, Architectural Institute of British Columbia, and the College of Physicians and Surgeons of British Columbia. Acted for clients in matters before the B.C. Securities Commission and Environmental tribunals.

- **Mediation and Arbitration:**

Member of the B.C. Panel for Domestic Commercial Arbitrations associated with the B.C. International Commercial Arbitration Centre. Has acted as Mediator or Arbitrator in disputes involving insurance, commercial and construction issues.

PROFESSIONAL LEGAL EXPERIENCE:

- 1991 – present Partner, SHK Law Corporation (general civil litigation/arbitration)
- 1991 Associate Counsel, Lawson Lundell Lawson & McIntosh (general civil litigation)
- 1985 – 1991 Partner, Braidwood, MacKenzie, Fujisawa, Brewer & Greyell (general civil litigation)
- 1980 – 1985 Associate Lawyer, Braidwood, MacKenzie, Fujisawa, Brewer & Greyell (general civil litigation)
- 1979 – 1980 Articled Student, Braidwood, MacKenzie, Fujisawa, Brewer & Greyell

LEGAL EDUCATION:

- 1977 LLB, University of British Columbia
- 1978 LLM, University of London (London School of Economics)

PUBLICATIONS:

- 1979 University of Manitoba Law Journal
“Mistake of Law Payments in Canada: A Mistaken Principal?”
- 1980s to present Numerous articles on various topics related to civil litigation for trade publications and Continuing Legal Education courses.

RELATED LEGAL ACTIVITIES:

- 1979 – 1981 Assistant Editor of B.C. Law Reports
- 1983 – 1986 Lecturer, University of British Columbia Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration, Diploma Course - Business Law
- 1988 Lecturer, Continuing Legal Education Program
Topic: Rendering Legal Opinions in Civil Matters
- 1990 Lecturer, Continuing Legal Education Program, Topic: Recent Developments in Directors’ Fiduciary Duties
- 1990 Lecturer, Faculty of Commerce and Business Administration Executive Programs, Topic: Directors’ Fiduciary duties
- 1989 – 1991 Guest Lecturer, Faculty of Law University of British Columbia, Topic: Appellate Advocacy

- 1996 Lecturer, Continuing Legal Education Program, Topic: Directors' and Officers' Liabilities
- 1996 Lecturer, Continuing Legal Education Program, Topic: Contract Damages
- 1997 Lecturer, Continuing Legal Education Program, Topic: Contract Damages
- 1998 Lecturer, Continuing Legal Education Program, Topic: Examination for Discovery Procedures
- 1999 Lecturer, Continuing Legal Education Program, Topic: Directors' and Officers' Fiduciary Duties
- 2008 Lecturer, Pacific Business & Law Institute, Topic: Insurance Coverage for Construction Defects
- 2014 Lecturer, Canadian Bar Association Young Lawyers Sub-Section, Topic: Ethical Dilemmas in Practice
- 2014 Lecturer, Continuing Legal Education Program, Topic: Construction Law, Arbitration/Mediation
- 2016 Lecturer, Continuing Legal Education Program, Topic: Injunctive Relief in Real Estate Litigation
- 2016 Lecturer, The Canadian Institute Expert Witness Forum West, Topic: Case Law Update – What Do Recent Decisions Mean for Expert Witnesses?
- 2017 Lecturer, Continuing Legal Education Program, Topic: Litigation Misconduct: Disagreeing Without Being Disagreeable – Being Effective Counsel

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS:

- Member of Law Society of British Columbia
- Member of Canadian Bar Association
- Member of Vancouver Bar Association
- Appointed Queen's Counsel – 2004