

PRACTICE AREAS

Administrative Law
Commercial Litigation
Employment Law

YEAR OF CALL

British Columbia, 2002

EDUCATION

LLB, University of
Victoria, 2001

BA (with Distinction),
University of Victoria,
1997



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Robyn combines an extensive employment and commercial litigation practice. She has advised and represented clients in a variety of sectors with complex corporate and commercial litigation issues, including professional regulatory matters, contractual disputes, shareholder disputes (including oppression claims under the BC Business Corporations Act), breaches of trust and fiduciary duties, and civil fraud. Robyn's employment law work is focused on providing advice with respect to all manner of employment disputes including wrongful dismissals, human rights complaints, bully and harassment and discrimination claims as well as providing general advice on a variety of employment related matters. For her employment litigation practice, Robyn has a particular expertise in both prosecuting and defending restrictive covenant disputes (breach of confidence, non-competes and non-solicits) and sexual harassment disputes.

Robyn has over 22 years of extensive court and commercial arbitration experience. Although she has successfully settled hundreds of files, Robyn does not hesitate to take matters to trial when appropriate and has argued before all levels of court in British Columbia. Her trial experience also includes a brief position as Crown Prosecutor while on secondment to the Ministry of the Attorney General. In her free time, Robyn enjoys being equally scrappy on the tennis court and spending time with her two teenage boys.

RECOGNITION

- Recognized Lawyer, Administrative and Public Law; Corporate and Commercial Litigation; Labour and Employment Law, Best Lawyers in Canada, 2022 – present
- Recommended Lawyer, Employment Law (Employee and Employer), Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory, 2023 – present

- Recommended Lawyer, Workplace Human Rights (Employer), Canadian Legal Expert Directory, 2024

RECENT SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- "Leaving the Stone Age Behind: Conducting an Effective Cross Examination in the Electronic Age", Litigation Conference 2018: Cutting Edge Topics for Trial Lawyers, TLABC, November 2018
- "Dealing with Lay Litigants: Best Techniques and Potential Pitfalls", A Litigator's Arsenal Conference, The Continuing Legal Education Society of BC, December 2017
- "Leaving The Stone Age Behind – Conducting An Effective Cross Examination In The Electronic Era", Canadian Bar Association Skilled Lawyer Series, March 2015
- "Technology On Trial", (co-presenter), Civil Litigation Conference, The Continuing Legal Education Society of BC, March 2015

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Vice President, Lawyers' Inn Society, 2018 – present
- Director, Lawyers' Inn Society, 2015 – 2018
- Member, Civil Litigation – Vancouver and Employment Law sections, Canadian Bar Association, BC branch

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