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## **Profile**

Disputes can bring business to a grinding halt, especially in the construction world. Dan understands this well, making him a strong advocate for his clients. Dan resolves issues as efficiently as possible through negotiation, mediation or arbitration. Having appeared at all levels of court in British Columbia, Dan is well equipped to advance his clients' interests and claims through litigation when necessary.

As part of his practice Dan routinely advises and assists his clients on construction matters, including builders lien matters, defect and negligence claims, and delay claims. Dan appreciates the importance of reputation and relationships in business. With this in mind, Dan considers the long-term impact on his clients' business when he approaches disputes and potential resolutions. Dan also gives presentations to industry stakeholders on construction-related matters, including builders liens.

Dan has been an active member of the Canadian Bar Association of BC during his career, and he currently serves on the organization's board of directors as the Young Lawyers Representative for British Columbia. In his various roles with CBABC, Dan has given presentations to students at British Columbia's law schools on achieving success in the early stages of their careers.

#### Services

Builders lien claims

- > Defect claims
- > Prosecution and defence of negligence claims
- > Breach of contract claims
- > Delay and extras claims
- > Mediations and arbitration
- > Pre-judgement remedies and post-judgement collection

# **Credentials**

### **Awards & Distinctions**

> Thorsteinssons Prize in Taxation, 2016

### **Industry Involvement**

- > Law Society of BC, member
- > Canadian Bar Association, member
- Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, Civil Litigation Vancouver Subsection member
- Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, Construction Law Vancouver Subsection member
- Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, Young Lawyers Subsection board of directors
- Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, Young Lawyers Subsection former representative to provincial council
- > Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, member
- > Vancouver Bar Association, member
- > Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, former county representative for Victoria
- Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, Young Lawyers Victoria Subsection former chair
- Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, Young Lawyers Victoria Subsection former treasurer
- Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, Civil Litigation Vancouver Island Subsection former secretary
- > Victoria Bar Association, former executive member (social coordinator)

### **Education & Call to Bar**

- > Call to Bar, British Columbia, 2017
- > University of Victoria, Juris Doctor (J.D.), 2016
- > University of Victoria, Bachelors degree, 2012