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Associate

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Profile

Jacob works closely with our clients and is instrumental in helping them overcome the complexities of insurance as well as construction disputes. With a focus on strategy, timeliness, and cost-efficiency, Jacob helps insurance clients and construction professionals from the moment a claim starts until its resolution.

His insurance coverage service offerings include comprehensive coverage advice, drafting opinions, reservation of rights letters, and position letters. Jacob actively assists our clients in coverage investigations and vigilantly monitors the progression of ongoing claims.

For our construction clients, he provides guidance on contract drafting and disputes including builders' liens, professional indemnity, public-private partnerships (P3 projects), and claims around construction deficiency, property, delay and bad faith.

His proactive approach is underscored by his meticulous case assessments at the outset. This enables our clients to gauge their exposure to legal risk and implement well-informed strategies to secure their best outcomes. Recognized for his exceptional legal analysis capabilities, adeptness at quickly distilling complex facts, pragmatic problem-solving skills, and unwavering commitment to delivering solutions that work, Jacob stands as a trusted advocate for our clients.

An inquisitive mind, analytical nature, and an excellent work ethic are all hallmarks of Jacob's practice and have been honed throughout his career. He has represented clients before diverse tribunals, the Provincial Court of British Columbia, the Supreme Court of British Columbia, and the British Columbia Court of Appeal. This extensive courtroom experience equips our clients with a distinct advantage as he swiftly identifies legal issues, key facts, and potential risks. These skills bolster his advisory role, ensuring clients receive holistic guidance throughout their legal proceedings.

Insurance Services

- > Insurance coverage
- > Insurance coverage litigation
- > Insurance coverage advice and monitoring
- > Construction disputes and litigation, including performance bonds, labour & material payment bonds, and contract price disputes
- > Builders' liens
- > Property claims
- > Delay claims
- > Bad faith claims
- > Contract disputes
- > Policy drafting and product development
- > Advancing and defending claims for extras
- > Insurance coverage advice
- > Construction deficiency claims
- > Professional indemnity claims
- > Product liability
- > Class action defence, mass tort litigation
- > Public-Private Partnerships (P3 Projects)
- > Construction contract advice, including reviewing, drafting, and negotiating contract terms
- > Commercial arbitrations

Credentials

Industry Involvement

- > Canadian Bar Association, member, 2021 - present
- > Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, member, 2021 - present
- > Law Society of British Columbia, 2021 - present

Community Commitments

- > Association of Canadian Mountain Guides, conduct review committee (public member), 2023 - Present
- > Lions Bay Search and Rescue, team member, 2016 - Present
- > Canadian Armed Forces, master corporal, 2011 - 2024
- > Prince Rupert Ground Search and Rescue, team member, 2015
- > University of British Columbia, Law Students' Legal Advice Program (LSLAP) volunteer, 2017 - 2019

Education

- > Call to Bar: British Columbia, 2021
- > University of British Columbia, Juris Doctor (J.D.), 2020
- > Justice Institute of British Columbia, Bachelor of Law Enforcement Studies, 2017
- > Justice Institute of British Columbia, Law Enforcement Studies Diploma, 2014