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EDUCATION

- 1996-1999 **LL.B.**
University of British Columbia
- 1993-1995 **M.A.**, Philosophy
University of Guelph
- 1990-1993 **B.A. (Hons.)**, Philosophy and Fine Arts
University of Guelph
- 1985-1990 **A.O.C.A.**, Fine Arts
Ontario College of Art

PROFESSIONAL EMPLOYMENT & AFFILIATIONS

- 2019-Present **Wise Scheible Barkauskas**
Counsel
- 2018-Present **John-Paul Boyd Arbitration Chambers**
Principal
- 2013-2018 **Canadian Research Institute for Law and the Family**
Executive director
- 2016-2018 **University of Calgary Faculty of Law**
Sessional instructor, Family Law 515
- 2002-2013 **Aaron Gordon Daykin Nordlinger**
Associate lawyer
- 2000-2002 **MacLean Nicol**
Associate lawyer
- 1999-2000 **Cran Madryga & Company / Markovitz Law Offices**
Articled student

CURRENT MEMBERSHIPS

- 2020 **Family Mediation Canada**
Member
- 2018 **ADR Institute of Canada**
Member

- 2013 **Law Society of Alberta**
Active member
- 2007 **Association of Family and Conciliation Courts**
Member
- 2000 **Law Society of British Columbia**
Practising member

DISTINCTIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- 2023 **Best Lawyers in Canada**
Recognized lawyer, family law
- 2022 **National Family Law Arbitration Course**
Course planner, co-chair and faculty member, and
Special program planner, co-chair and faculty member: "Issues in mediation-arbitration"
- Department of Justice Canada, Policy Priorities Committee**
Presenter: "Beyond legislation: Innovative approaches to changing the culture of the legal system"
- Yukon Department of Justice**
Presenter: "Families, family breakdown and the law"
- Legal Education Society of Alberta**
Presenter: "Managing conflict: Lessons from parenting coordination," and
Presenter: "Designing arbitration processes: Managing time, efficiency and cost"
- Office of the Child and Youth Advocate Alberta**
Presenter: Best Practices in Child Legal Representation 2022, Fall Conference, and
Presenter: Best Practices in Child Legal Representation 2022, Spring Conference
- BC Association of Clinical Counsellors**
Course planner and faculty member: "Families, family breakdown and the law"
- Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
Presenter: Family Law Conference 2022, and
Presenter: Vancouver Island Section: "The places family law can take you"
- County of Carleton Law Association**
Faculty member: 31st Annual Institute of Family Law
- Best Lawyers in Canada**
Recognized lawyer, family law
- Doyle's Guide**
Recommended lawyer, family law
- 2021 **National Family Law Arbitration Course**
Course planner, co-chair and faculty member
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts**
Presenter: Annual Conference 2021

Legal Education Society of Alberta

Course planner, co-chair and faculty member: “Coercive control and family violence”

Pacific Business & Law Institute

Faculty member: Family Law 2021, “Family is as family does: Evolving family forms”

Canadian Bar Association British Columbia

Presenter, Children’s Law Section: “Child protection mediation,” and
Presenter, Family Law Section: “Relocation under the Divorce Act”

Canadian Bar Association Alberta

Presenter, South Family Law Section: “A deeper dive into the Divorce Act,” and
Presenter, South Child and Youth Law Section: “Hear the child reports”

Alberta Civil Trial Lawyers Association

Faculty member: “Family law webinar”

Society for Children and Youth of British Columbia

Presenter: Children’s law study group

People’s Law School

Presenter: “What you need to know about the changes to the Divorce Act,” and
Presenter: “Changes to the Divorce Act: Townhall edition”

Best Lawyers in Canada

Recognized lawyer, family law

Doyle’s Guide

Recommended lawyer, family law

2020

Family Mediation Canada

Comprehensive Family Mediator certification

Department of Justice Canada

Author: Divorce Act fact sheets for education and healthcare professionals

Law Society of Saskatchewan

Presenter: Access to Justice Week webinar

International Academy of Collaborative Professionals

Faculty member: 21st Annual Networking and Educational Forum

ADR Institute of Canada

Presenter and author: “Hearing the voice of children in family law arbitration,”
ADRIC 2020 Clarity in Conflict Resolution webinar series

ADR Institute of BC

Presenter: “Elder mediation,” ADRBC Symposium webinar series

Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Alberta

Presenter: 2020 Conference

Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia

Presenter: “Practicing family law in the age of COVID-19” webinar series, and
Faculty member: Conflict Resolution Conference 2020

Legal Education Society of Alberta

Presenter: Spring family law webinar series

Canadian Bar Association Alberta

Presenter, North Family Law Section: "Parenting coordination," and
 Presenter, South Child & Youth Law Section: "Best evidence for parenting
 matters and expectations of children's counsel"

Family Dispute Resolution Institute of Ontario / Family Mediation Canada

Faculty member: 2020 Conference

Family Dispute Resolution Institute of Ontario

Presenter: "Practicing family law in the age of COVID-19"

Mediate BC

Presenter: Vancouver Mediators' Lounge

Legal Aid British Columbia / Law Foundation of British Columbia

Presenter: Fall Provincial Training Conference 2020

West Coast LEAF / University of British Columbia Faculty of Law

Presenter: "Alienation, estrangement and attachment disruption," RISE
 Women's Legal Clinic

Courthouse Libraries BC

Presenter: LawMatters family law for librarians webinar series

County of Carleton Law Association

Faculty member: 29th Annual Institute of Family Law

BC Residential Tenancy Branch

Presenter: Professional development conference

Doyle's Guide

Recommended lawyer, family law

National Self-represented Litigants Project

Access to Justice All-Star

2019

Government of British Columbia

Queen's Counsel appointment

Law Society of Alberta / Canadian Bar Association Alberta

Distinguished Service Award for Service to the Community

Senate of Canada, Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Witness: Hearings on Bill C-78, An Act to Amend the Divorce Act and related
 legislation

Alberta Provincial Judges Association

Presenter: Spring Conference 2019

British Columbia Provincial Court

Editor: Family law boot camp materials

Access to Justice British Columbia

Presenter: Leadership Group

Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

Presenter: Annual Conference 2019

ADR Institute of Canada

Presenter: ADRI 2019 Conference

Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia

Course planner, co-chair and faculty member: "A deeper dive: The intersection of family law and psychology 2019," and

Faculty member: Conflict Resolution Conference 2019

Legal Education Society of Alberta

Course planner, sessional chair and faculty member: 52nd Annual Refresher, Family Law, and

Faculty member: "How to practice family law and not go crazy"

Pacific Business & Law Institute

Faculty member and author: Family law 2019, "Parenting and custody"

West Coast LEAF / University of British Columbia Faculty of Law

Presenter: "Alienation, estrangement and attachment disruption," RISE Women's Legal Clinic

Canadian Bar Association

Presenter: "Family restructuring with the child's voice," CBA Law Series

Manitoba Bar Association

Faculty member and author: 2019 Mid-Winter Conference

Canadian Bar Association Alberta

Presenter, South Family Law Section: "Federal and provincial legislative amendments"

Canadian Bar Association British Columbia

Faculty member and author: Family Law Conference 2019, and

Presenter, Children's Law Section: "The (very small) elephant in the room: Hearing the voice of children in negotiation, mediation and arbitration"

Family Dispute Resolution Institute of Ontario

Presenter: "Lawyers' views of in- and out-of-court dispute resolution processes"

Collaborative Divorce Vancouver

Faculty member: "Older and wiser: The phenomenon of grey divorce"

Courthouse Libraries BC

Presenter: LawMatters webinar, "How to use *JP Boyd on Family Law* in your public library"

Watson Goepel LLP

Presenter: "Taking a creative approach to family law arbitration: Reaching a just, speedy and cost-effective determination"

Canadian Law Blog Awards (Stem Legal)

Best A2J Resource: *JP Boyd on Family Law* (Clawbie)

2018

National Judicial Institute

Faculty member: Alberta Court of Queen's Bench Education Seminar 2018, and

Faculty member: Supreme Court of British Columbia Education Seminar 2018

Federation of Law Societies of Canada

Faculty member and author: National Family Law Program 2018

Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia

Faculty member: Conflict Resolution Conference 2018, and

Faculty member: "Hot topics in family law: Good lawyering for bad parenting"

Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia

Keynote speaker: "The anatomy of a family law file: A litigator's guide"

Legal Education Society of Alberta

Faculty member: "Beyond blended families"

Canadian Bar Association Alberta

Presenter: "Conclusions from the Alberta Limited Legal Services Project"

Canadian Bar Association British Columbia

Presenter: "Conclusions from the Alberta Limited Legal Services Project"

Access Pro Bono / Pro Bono Law Alberta / Pro Bono Ontario / Pro Bono Québec / Pro Bono Law Saskatchewan

Faculty member: 7th National Pro Bono Conference

West Coast LEAF / University of British Columbia Faculty of Law

Presenter: "Best practices for new lawyers," RISE Women's Legal Clinic

Avant tout, les enfants

Faculty member: 2018 Conference

ADR Institute of Alberta

Presenter: "Family law lawyers' views of dispute resolution processes," ADR Luncheon

Okanagan Collaborative Family Law Group

Keynote speaker: 2018 Retreat

2017

Senate of Canada, Standing Committee on Legal and Constitutional Affairs

Witness: Hearings on Bill S-202, An Act to Amend the Divorce Act

Department of Justice Canada, Continuing Committee of Senior Officials (Family Justice)

Presenter: "Highlights of recent research of the Canadian Research Institute for Law and the Family"

Canadian Research Institute for Law and the Family / Office of the Child and Youth Advocate Alberta

Symposium planner, chair and presenter: "Children's participation in justice processes: Finding the best ways forward"

National Judicial Institute

Faculty member: "Managing cases with self-represented litigants"

Law Society of Upper Canada

Faculty member and author: Family Law Summit 2017

Legal Education Society of Alberta

Faculty member and author: 50th Annual Refresher, and
Faculty member: "Family law during recessionary times"

Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia

Faculty member: "The interplay between aging, death and divorce"

Canadian Bar Association

Presenter: "Made-to-measure legal services: The power of limited scope retainers," CBA Law Series, and

Presenter: "The Parenting After Separation Resource Toolkit: An essential tool for lawyers," CBA Law Series

Courthouse Libraries BC

Presenter: "Unbundling your family law practice: Practical tips for offering unbundled legal services"

Simcoe County Law Association

Faculty member and author: Simcoe County Family Law Conference 2017

Sudbury District Law Association

Presenter: Colloquium 2017

Tri-City Transition Society

Presenter: "Children first: Coparenting stronger," Mediator Training Program

Divorce Magazine Canada

Presenter: "Resilience: A symposium on separation and divorce"

2016

National Judicial Institute

Faculty member and author: "Family law seminar: Children," and

Faculty member and author: Supreme Court of British Columbia Education Seminar 2016

Association of Family and Conciliation Courts

Presenter: "Symposium on child custody evaluations" Regional Conference

Federation of Law Societies of Canada

Faculty member and author: National Family Law Program 2016

American Bar Association / National Legal Aid and Defender Association

Faculty member: 2016 Equal Justice Conference

Congress of the Humanities and Social Sciences / University of Calgary Faculties of Law and Social Work

Course planner and faculty member: Congress 2016

Legal Education Society of Alberta

Faculty member and author: "Family law 25"

Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia

Course planner, co-chair and faculty member: "Assessments and interventions: The intersection of family law and psychology"

Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia

Faculty member: "A rock and a hard place: Complex issues in family law," and

Presenter: "The impact of *V.J.F.* on the division of family property in British Columbia"

Legal Services Society of British Columbia / Law Foundation of British Columbia

Presenter: Fall Provincial Training Conference 2016

West Coast LEAF / University of British Columbia Faculty of Law

Presenter: inaugural address, RISE Women's Legal Clinic, and

Presenter: "Allegations of alienation in family law disputes," RISE Women's Legal Clinic

Canadian Bar Association British Columbia

Presenter: "Unbundling demystified: Practical tips from lawyers using it"

Canadian Bar Association Northwest Territories

Presenter: "Allegations of alienation: A deeper trip down the rabbit hole"

- Westminster Family Bar Association**
 Presenter: "Children's counsel in family law disputes"
- 2015 **National Judicial Institute**
 Faculty member and author: "Family law seminar: Financial and property issues,"
 Faculty member and author: Alberta Court of Queen's Bench Fall Education Seminar 2015,
 Faculty member: "The new reality: Managing cases with self-represented litigants,"
 Course planner: "Literacy and plain language communication" online program,
 Course planner and presenter: "Faculty development" online program,
 Editor and researcher: *Bench Book for Sitting Judges: Self-Represented Litigants and Self-Represented Accused*, and
 Author and researcher: *A User's Guide to the BC Family Law Act: A Bench Book*
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts**
 Presenter: Annual Conference 2015, and
 Presenter: "Do you hear what I hear? Listening to the voice of the child" Regional Conference
- Association for Conflict Resolution**
 Presenter: "Non-evaluative views of the child reports: The Canadian experience"
- Canadian Institute for the Administration of Justice / Winkler Institute for Dispute Resolution / Canadian Forum on Civil Justice**
 Presenter: "Innovation and access to justice"
- Office of the Child and Youth Advocate Alberta**
 Presenter: Best Practices in Child Legal Representation 2015, Spring Conference
- Manitoba Law Foundation**
 Presenter: "Access to family justice: Obstacles and opportunities"
- Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
 Faculty member and author: Biennial Family Law Conference 2015,
 Author: "Family law drafting boot camp," and
 Presenter: "Family law update 2015" online program
- Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia / Canadian Centre for Elder Law**
 Faculty member and author: "Canadian elder law conference"
- Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia**
 Faculty member and author: Family Law Practice and Procedure 2015
- British Columbia Hear the Child Society**
 Presenter: "Child alienation and estrangement and views of the child reports"
- Canadian Bar Association Alberta**
 Presenter: "Child alienation and estrangement"
- 2014 **National Judicial Institute**
 Faculty member and author: "Family law seminar: Evidence and procedure,"
 Course planner and faculty member: "Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta and Canadian Bar Association Alberta joint seminar," and

Editor and researcher: *Bench Book for Sitting Judges: Self-Represented Litigants and Self-Represented Accused*

British Columbia Provincial Court

Faculty member and author: Spring Education Conference 2014

Association of Canadian Law Foundations

Presenter: Annual Conference 2014

Department of Justice Nova Scotia

Presenter: "High conflict information program: Facilitator introduction," and
Co-author: *The Nova Scotia High Conflict Family Resource Book*

British Columbia Ministry of the Attorney General

Presenter: "British Columbia justice summit"

Federation of Law Societies of Canada

Faculty member and author: National Family Law Program 2014

Canadian Association of Law Teachers

Presenter: Annual Conference 2014

Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia

Author: "The Family Law Act, property, guardianship and parenting: One year later"

Nova Scotia Legal Aid

Presenter: "Working with high conflict people"

Legal Services Society of British Columbia / Law Foundation of British Columbia

Presenter: Fall Provincial Training Conference 2014

Canadian Bar Association Northwest Territories

Presenter: "Drafting effective affidavits"

Canadian Bar Association British Columbia

Presenter: "Family Law Act update"

Canadian Bar Association Alberta

Presenter: "Practice Notes 7 & 8 pet peeves, non-evaluative views of the child reports"

University of Calgary Faculty of Law

Symposium planner: "Access to justice double header"

Canadian Law Blog Awards (Stem Legal)

Best New Blog: Access to Justice in Canada (Clawbie)

Best Lawyers in Canada

Recognized lawyer, family law

2013

National Judicial Institute

Faculty member and author: "Family law seminar: Children,"

Presenter and author: "Practical applications of the BC Family Law Act," British Columbia Supreme Court, and

Course planner, presenter and author: "Essentials of the new BC Family Law Act" online program, British Columbia Provincial Court

British Columbia Provincial Court

Faculty member and author: Spring Education Conference 2013

Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia

Course planner, co-chair, faculty member and author: "The Family Law Act: Everything you always wanted to know but were afraid to ask,"

Faculty member and author: "The interplay between aging, death and divorce,"

Course planner: "Family law for non-family lawyers: The impact of the new Family Law Act," and

Legal reviewer: *Family Law Sourcebook for British Columbia*, "Care of Children"

Canadian Bar Association

Faculty member: "Envisioning equal justice summit: Building justice for everyone"

Canadian Bar Association British Columbia

Presenter: Professional Development in Terrace 2013, and

Presenter: Professional Development in Abbotsford 2013

Law Society of British Columbia

Presenter: Family Law Act training session

Mediate BC

Presenter: "Family Law Act overview"

Justice Institute of British Columbia

Presenter: Family Justice Counsellor Education Seminar 2013

Legal Services Society of British Columbia / Law Foundation of British Columbia

Presenter: Spring Provincial Training Conference 2013, and

Presenter: Fall Provincial Training Conference 2013

Legal Services Society of British Columbia / Ending Violence Association of British Columbia

Presenter: "family law and related issues"

British Columbia Parenting Coordinators Roster Society

Course planner and faculty member: "Family law for professionals other than family law lawyers"

Canadian Polyamory Advocacy Association

Presenter: PolyCon 2013

British Columbia Society of Transition Houses

Presenter: Annual Training Forum 2013

British Columbia Council for Families

Keynote speaker: Annual Conference 2013

Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Ontario

Presenter: "Family justice reform colloquium: An agenda for Ontario"

Law Foundation of British Columbia

Keynote speaker: Board of Governors meeting

Best Lawyers in Canada

Recognized lawyer, family law

2012

National Judicial Institute

Faculty member and author: "British Columbia Court of Appeal, Supreme Court and Provincial Court education seminar,"

Faculty member and author: "Family law seminar: Financial and property issues,"

Faculty member: Court of Queen's Bench of Manitoba Education Seminar, and

Faculty member and author: "Judicial assistance to self-represented parties in family law"

British Columbia Provincial Court

Faculty member: Spring Education Conference 2012

Federation of Law Societies of Canada

Faculty member and author: National Family Law Program 2012

Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia

Course planner and co-chair: "The psychology of relationship breakdown,"

Keynote speaker: "The new Family Law Act: Gearing up your practice,"

Faculty member and author: "Family law drafting boot camp,"

Faculty member and author: "Family law basics for legal support staff,"

Faculty member: Dispute Resolution Conference 2012,

Presenter: "Introduction to family law arbitration,"

Author: *BC Family Practice Manual*, "Overview: Family Law Act," and

Author: *Family Law Act Transition Guide*, "Overview of the Family Law Act"

Pacific Business & Law Institute

Course planner, co-chair and author: "The new Family Law Act: Preparing for legislative change," and

Faculty member and author: "Tax and estate planning for the family business: The advanced issues"

Canadian Bar Association British Columbia

Presenter: Professional Development in Terrace 2012

Canadian Bar Association Alberta

Presenter: "Training workshop on parenting coordination"

Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia

Faculty member and author: "Get your act together: The new Family Law Act and other recent developments in family law," and

Presenter: "Everything you thought you knew about family law you don't: The new Family Law Act"

Justice Institute of British Columbia

Presenter: Family Justice Counsellor Education Seminar 2012

Legal Services Society of British Columbia / Justice Education Society

Presenter: "Legal information and resources for settlement workers conference"

Legal Services Society of British Columbia / Law Foundation of British Columbia

Presenter: Provincial Training Conference 2012

Vancouver Association of Law Libraries

Presenter: "The new Family Law Act"

Best Lawyers in Canada

Recognized lawyer, family law

- 2011 **National Judicial Institute**
Faculty member and author: "Family law seminar: Evidence and procedure"
- Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
Faculty member and author: Biennial Family Law Conference 2011,
Faculty member: "Children's participation in family justice processes," and
Author: *BC Family Practice Manual*, "Using Alternatives to Trial"
- Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
Harry Rankin, QC Pro Bono Award, and
Presenter: "Practice tips for the new Family Law Act"
- SUCCESS Settlement Services**
Presenter: Community Workshops on Family Law
- British Columbia Library Association / Courthouse Libraries British Columbia**
Presenter: British Columbia Library Conference 2011, and
Presenter: "Beyond Hope library conference"
- Best Lawyers in Canada**
Recognized lawyer, family law
- 2010 **Federation of Law Societies of Canada**
Faculty member: National Family Law Program 2010
- Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
Course chair and faculty member: "Family law boot camp,"
Faculty member and author: "The new Supreme Court Family Rules,"
Faculty member and author: "Blended families: Practical estate planning considerations," and
Author: *BC Family Practice Manual*, "Using alternatives to trial"
- Canadian Bar Association**
Faculty member and author: Canadian Legal Conference 2010
- Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
Presenter and author: "New family rules"
- Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia**
Faculty member and author: "The new BC Supreme Court Rules," and
Faculty member: "Making sense of the new Rules of Court"
- Canadian Association for the Practical Study of Law in Education**
Presenter: Regional Conference 2010
- Justice Education Society**
Presenter and author: "Family law and domestic violence"
- Best Lawyers in Canada**
Recognized lawyer, family law
- 2009 **Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
Faculty member and author: Biennial Family Law Conference 2009,
Course planner and co-chair, faculty member and author: "Family law settlements: Reaching and recording compromise,"
Faculty member: "Children's participation in family justice processes," and
Co-author: *BC Elder Law Practice Manual*, "Family Law"

- Department of Justice Canada**
 Author: *Obtaining Reliable and Repeatable SSAG Calculations*
- 2008 **University of British Columbia Law Alumni Association**
 Outstanding Young Alumnus Award
- Association of Family and Conciliation Courts**
 Presenter: Annual Conference 2008
- Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
 Course chair, faculty member and author: "Family law boot camp,"
 Advisory committee member and author: "Winning words: Writing as a sword, a shield and a compass,"
 Course co-chair: Pro Bono Practice 2008,
 Faculty member: "Family law for paralegals,"
 Advisory committee member, faculty member and author: "Family law drafting boot camp," and
 Author: *BC Family Practice Manual*, "Alternatives to Trial"
- Legal Services Society of British Columbia**
 Presenter: Intake Conference 2008,
 Presenter and author: Provincial Training Conference 2008
- Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
 Presidential Citation
- 2007 **Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
 Faculty member and author: "Aging, death and divorce: The big three and the perfect storm,"
 Course chair and faculty member: "Family law for paralegals,"
 Faculty member and author: Pro Bono Practice 2007,
 Faculty member: Biennial Family Law Conference 2007,
 Faculty member: "Children's participation in family justice processes," and
 Author: *BC Family Practice Manual*, "Assessing the Legal Issues" and "Using Conferences Effectively"
- Legal Services Society of British Columbia**
 Presenter and author: Provincial Training Conference 2007
- 2006 **Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
 Faculty member and author: "Spousal Support Advisory Guidelines update,"
 Faculty member and author: "Family law for paralegals,"
 Faculty member: "Family law boot camp II," and
 Author: *BC Family Practice Manual*, "Conducting a Family Law Practice," "Gathering Information," "Building Effective Relationships" and "Using Conferences Effectively"
- Legal Services Society of British Columbia**
 Presenter and author: Provincial Training Conference 2006
- Pro Bono Law Ontario / Pro Bono Law British Columbia**
 Canadian Pro Bono Distinguished Service Award
- 2005 **Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
 Faculty member and author: "Family law boot camp," and

- 2004 Author: *BC Family Practice Manual*, "Chambers Practice"
Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia
 Author: *BC Family Practice Manual*, "Variation of Orders and Agreements"
- 2003 **Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
 Author: *BC Family Practice Manual*, "Variation of Orders and Agreements"
Canadian Bar Association
 National Pro Bono Service Award

COMMUNITY & VOLUNTEER WORK

- 2022 **BC Association of Clinical Counsellors**
 Author: *Standard for Family Law: A Practice Standard for Registered Clinical Counsellors on the Preparation of Family Law Reports*, and
 Author: *A Glossary of Common Family Law Terms*
- 2021 **UBC Law Review**
 External article referee
Lakehead University Faculty of Law
 Guest lecturer: Alternative Dispute Resolution 2516
Canadian Polyamory Advocacy Association
 Member: Legal Advocacy and Lobbying Taskforce
- 2020-Present **Law Society of Alberta**
 AdvisorLink mentor (family law)
National Family Law Arbitration Course
 Member: Steering Committee
- 2020-2021 **Alberta Legal Coaches & Limited Services Society**
 Founding director
Family Mediation Canada
 Director
University of Saskatchewan College of Law
 Guest lecturer: Advanced Family Negotiation 498.3
Canadian Bar Association
 Member: Children and the Model Code Working Group
- 2020 **Bow Valley College**
 Guest lecturer: Introduction to Law
- 2019-2020 **Law Society of British Columbia**
 Member: Licensed Paralegal Task Force
Canadian Bar Association National Family Law Section
 Editor and author: *The Family Way*
Ad Hoc Committee on Model Section 211 Report Orders
 Member
- 2019 **British Columbia Provincial Court**
 Editor and legal advisor: Family law new judges' boot camp educational materials

- The Hague Institute for Innovation of Law**
Participant: World Justice Forum, evidence-based family justice reform
- Access to Justice British Columbia**
Member: Organizing Group
- University of Alberta Faculty of Law**
Guest lecturer: Jurisprudence 486
- 2018-2020 **Department of Justice Canada**
Member: Advisory Committee on Public and Professional Legal Education and Information for Bill C-78
- British Columbia Ministry of the Attorney General**
Member: Arbitration Act Family Law Working Group
- Canadian Bar Association**
Member: National Child and Youth Law Section Executive Committee
- 2018-2019 **International Academy of Family Lawyers**
Member: LGBT Committee
- Courthouse Libraries BC**
Consultant: Family Law Organizer web portal development
- 2018 **Windsor Law Yearbook of Access to Justice**
External article referee
- Law Society of British Columbia**
Consultant: Alternate Legal Service Provider project
- University of Calgary Faculty of Law**
Guest lecturer: Negotiation 508 and Clinical Theory and Practice 686
- Aspire Legal Access Initiative**
Director
- 2017-Present **Canadian Foundation for Legal Research**
Juror: Walter Owen Book Prize
- 2017-2020 **University of Calgary Faculty of Law**
Author: family law practice profile, *University of Calgary Law Career Guide*
- 2017-2019 **The Lawyer's Daily**
Contributing author (family law, access to justice and law reform issues)
- 2017 **British Columbia Ministry of the Attorney General**
Consultant: Child Support Solution Explorer project
- British Columbia Ministry of Jobs, Tourism and Skills Training**
Legal reviewer: "Newcomers' Guide to Resources and Services" booklet
- 2016-Present **Alberta Law Review**
External article referee
- 2016-2018 **Canadian Bar Association**
Member: Children's Law Committee
- 2016 **Department of Justice Canada**
Consultant: family law policy reform
- University of British Columbia Faculty of Law**
Guest lecturer: Family Law 359

- 2015-Present **Canadian Journal of Family Law**
Member: Advisory Board,
Juror: Allan Falconer Memorial Essay Contest, and
External article referee
- Courthouse Libraries British Columbia**
Member: Wikibooks Advisory Committee
- 2015-2019 **International Society of Family Law**
Member
- 2015-2017 **Association of Family and Conciliation Courts Alberta**
Director
- 2015-2016 **British Columbia Ministry of the Attorney General**
Member: Family Law Act Advisory Committee
- 2015 **Department of Justice Canada**
Member: Delphi Consultation Panel
- 2014-Present **Alberta Health Services**
Presenter: Community Education Service (children and family justice issues)
- Slaw**
Contributing author (family law, access to justice and law reform issues)
- Canadian Bar Association Alberta**
Member: Access to Justice Committee, and
Presenter: Community outreach
- 2014-2020 **Centre for Public Legal Education Alberta**
Columnist: *LawNow Magazine* (family law issues)
- Quickscribe Services**
Expert annotator (family law and arbitration legislation)
- 2014-2017 **Alberta Legal Information Society**
Member: Advisory Board
- 2014 **University of Victoria Faculty of Law**
Guest lecturer: Faculty of Law plenary seminar, Family Law 322 and Access to
Justice 343
- 2013-2014 **Family Law Arbitrators Group Society**
Founding director
- 2013 **British Columbia Council for Families**
Author: "Family Law Basics for Parents and Parents-to-Be" fact sheet
- BC Association of Clinical Counsellors**
Legal reviewer: *Legal Commentary: The New Family Law Act*, and
Legal reviewer: *Clinical Counsellors' Expert Reports*
- Parent Support Services Society of British Columbia**
Legal reviewer and editor: "Grandparents Raising Grandchildren: A Legal Guide"
booklet
- 2012-2015 **Courthouse Libraries British Columbia**
Member: *JP Boyd on Family Law* Wikibook Advisory Committee
- 2012-2013 **People's Law School**
Director

- Justice Education Society / Immigrant Public Legal Education and Information Consortium**
 Legal reviewer and advisor: training course for immigrant settlement workers
- 2012 **University of British Columbia Faculty of Law**
 Panelist: "Family Law Act roundtable"
- Law Society of British Columbia**
 Contributing editor: Online Learning Centre family law materials
- Legal Services Society of British Columbia**
 Legal reviewer: "Living Together, Living Apart" booklet, and
 Author: "Guide to the New BC Family Law Act" booklet
- People's Law School**
 Legal reviewer: "Child Protection in BC" booklet,
 Author: "Child Support in BC: Information for Parents" booklet
- 2011-2013 **Courthouse Libraries British Columbia**
 Contributing author: family law practice blog
- British Columbia Provincial Court**
 Member: Family Law Rules Committee
- 2011 **Federation of Law Societies of Canada**
 Member: Competencies Development Task Force
- 2010-2019 **International Academy of Family Lawyers**
 Fellow
- 2010-2012 **British Columbia Ministry of the Attorney General**
 Member: Family Law Act Advisory Committee
- Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
 Member: Best Practice Guidelines for Family Law Lawyers Working Group, and
 Member: Court Rules Implementation Monitoring Initiative
- 2010 **Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
 Member: White Paper Working Group
- University of British Columbia Faculty of Law**
 Guest lecturer: Family Law 240
- 2009-2017 **Canadian Bar Association British Columbia / Canadian Bar Association Alberta**
 Volunteer: mentor program
- 2009-2013 **West Coast LEAF**
 Member: Family Law Project Advisory Committee, and
 Referral lawyer: West Coast LEAF clients and staff
- 2009-2012 **British Columbia Hear the Child Society**
 Founding director and secretary
- 2009-2010 **British Columbia Law Institute**
 Director (CBA British Columbia representative)
- 2009 **University of British Columbia Pro Bono Students Canada**
 Supervising lawyer
- 2008-2013 **BC Family Law Resource: The Blog**
 Author, public legal information blog

- 2007-2008 **Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
Member: Family Relations Act Review Working Group
- University of British Columbia Faculty of Law**
Guest lecturer: First Nations Legal Clinic, and
Referral lawyer: First Nations Legal Clinic students
- 2006-Present **Canadian Bar Association British Columbia / People's Law School**
Contributing editor: Dial-a-Law family law scripts
- 2006-2013 **British Columbia Parenting Coordinators Roster Society**
Founding director and liaison
- 2006-2009 **British Columbia Ministry of the Attorney General**
Member: Family Relations Act Review Advisory Committee
- Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
Member and legislative liaison: Vancouver Family Law Subsection Executive Committee
- Salvation Army Pro Bono Program**
Member: Community Council (CBA British Columbia representative)
- 2005-2013 **Law Society of British Columbia**
Contributing editor and author: Professional Legal Training Course family law course materials
- 2005-2012 **Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
Member: *BC Family Practice Manual* Editorial Board
- 2005-2009 **Pro Bono Law British Columbia**
Program director: Family Law Roster Program
- 2004-2008 **Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
Member: Legislation and Law Reform Committee
- 2004-2006 **Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
Member and secretary: Vancouver Family Law Subsection Executive Committee
- 2004-2005 **Canadian Bar Association**
Member: National Young Lawyers' Conference Executive Committee
- 2004 **Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
Contributing editor: website public legal education materials, family law
- 2003-2013 **Battered Women's Support Services**
Workshop presenter: various family law topics, and
Referral lawyer: BWSS clients and staff
- Law Society of British Columbia**
Guest instructor: Professional Legal Training Course
- 2003-2012 **Continuing Legal Education Society British Columbia**
Contributing editor and author: *BC Family Practice Manual*
- 2002-2012 **Salvation Army Pro Bono Program**
Clinic lawyer,
Workshop presenter: various family law topics, and
Referral lawyer: Salvation Army clients and staff
- 2002-2005 **University of British Columbia Law Students' Legal Advice Program**
Resource lawyer: *LSLAP Manual* family law chapters

- 2002 **Canadian Bar Association British Columbia**
Contributing editor: Dial-a-Law family law scripts
- 2001-2013 **BC Family Law Resource**
Author, public legal information website
- 2000-2005 **University of British Columbia Law Students' Legal Advice Program**
Clinic supervising lawyer
- 1997-2021 **Canadian Bar Association**
Member

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