

# Maria Di Paolo

Designated Paralegal Strata Property

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# **Profile**

According to the Land Title and Survey Authority, as of October 2021, British Columbia had over 33,000 filed strata plans and over 720,000 active strata lots - that is a lot of people living with a lot of other people. This can bring some unique challenges. Strata corporations are also self-governing and subject to legislation that is not always clear. Home might not be the sanctuary it should be.

Maria helps our clients navigate legislation that impacts them and clearly explains procedures. She is responsible for staying on top of changes in procedural litigation rules for our entire litigation department. She shares this information internally and with clients, giving everyone the information they need to make informed decisions. Maria approaches every dispute with empathy and understanding. She uses her decades of paralegal experience in litigation to find cost-effective solutions.

As a "strata dweller" and a strata council member, Maria understands that the law in this area can be challenging. She knows the relief that comes with getting good solid advice. Maria wants to provide that to our clients. Her attention to detail and knowledge of litigation procedures helps to keep matters on track. Maria's "let us take care of that for you" approach relieves clients of the stress of litigation. Maria's ultimate goal is to help strata corporations be the communities people are proud to call home.

# **Credentials**

#### **Awards & Distinctions**

- > Designated Paralegal, 2023
- > Commissioner for Taking Affidavits in British Columbia, 2023 to present

## **Industry Involvement**

- > BC Paralegal Association, member-at-large, 1996 present
- > BC Paralegal Association, board member, 1993 to 1996
- > Professional Association of Management Agents, member, 2021 present

## **Education**

- > Simon Fraser University, B.A.. (Major in Criminology), 2018
- > Capilano University, Paralegal Certificate, 1994

# **Additional Languages**

> Italian