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### **Area of Practice**

Business Litigation, Insurance Law, Catastrophic Plaintiff Personal Injury.

### **Representative Work**

Defended a national railway company in a complex commercial arbitration involving a claim in excess of \$10 Million, which included an appearance in the Supreme Court of Canada.

Numerous catastrophic personal injury claims involving brain injuries and quadriplegia.

Bad faith and breach of contract claims against insurance companies.

Successfully pursued a guarantee claim, through trial, on a multi-million dollar development for a national property development company.

Has successfully acted for several large industries regarding enforcement of contracts, appropriation of corporate opportunities and civil fraud.

### **Profile**

Doug Lahay is a partner of Clark Wilson LLP and a senior member of our Business Litigation Practice Group. He is also Chair of its Personal Injury Practice Group.

Doug practices primarily in the business litigation, insurance and catastrophic personal injury areas. He has extensive trial experience, having tried cases in the Supreme Court of British Columbia (both judge and jury and judge alone), the British Columbia Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court of Canada, giving rise to trial awards and settlements totaling well in excess of \$20 Million. Doug has been counsel on several leading cases including the first case in British Columbia to consider the application of legislation mandating periodic payment of large awards.

In commercial litigation, his focus is on loss of income and business interruption claims.

He obtained both his Bachelor of Commerce degree (1982) and his Bachelor of Laws degree (1983), from the University of British Columbia.

**Memberships & Associations**

Member, Law Society of British Columbia

Member, Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia

Former Secretary, Advocates Club