



Sean Tessarolo

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Profile

Individuals and businesses approach litigation with different outcomes in mind. Sean provides our clients with practical and considered advice tailored to advance their specific objectives and minimize potentially adverse consequences.

When opportunities arise, Sean creates and executes on strategy that incorporates his experience both in and out of the courtroom.

Work Highlights

Commercial Lease Dispute

- > Represented commercial tenant at trial and appeal in novel case involving the corporate identification doctrine and interpretation of a commercial lease's insurance covenant in the context of arson (*Austeville Properties Ltd. v Josan*, 2019 BCCA 416; *Austeville Properties Ltd. v Josan*, 2016 BCSC 1963)

Fiduciary Dispute

- > Represented director and others at trial against claims for breach of fiduciary duty and fraud (*Roussy v Savage*, 2019 BCSC 1669)

Bankruptcy Proceedings

- > Represented trustee in bankruptcy in recovery actions arising from the Rashida Samji Ponzi scheme

Additional work highlights below

Sean is a steadfast advocate and strives to obtain results for our clients. He has represented clients in matters before the Provincial and Supreme Courts of British Columbia, the Court of Appeal and at arbitration. In the courtroom, clients value his confidence and advocacy.

Services

- > Commercial litigation
- > Creditors' remedies
- > Shareholder and director disputes
- > Commercial lease disputes
- > Contract disputes
- > Insurance defence and coverage matters

Credentials

Education & Call to Bar

- > Call to Bar: British Columbia, 2016
- > Juris Doctor (Great Distinction), University of Saskatchewan, College of Law, 2015
- > Bachelor of Arts, Political Science, University of British Columbia, 2010

External Publications & Presentations

- > Editor, "A Recent Decision on the Duty to Defend and Additional Insureds", Canadian Journal of Insurance Law vol. 40 no. 2, LexisNexis Canada, March 2022
- > Top Cases in P&C Insurance - November 1, 2018
- > Top Cases in P&C Insurance - June 12, 2017

Additional Work Highlights

Public Company Transactions

- > Represented target companies in both contested and unopposed plans of arrangement

Commercial Landlord-Tenant Dispute

- > Represented commercial landlord at summary trial in recovery action against former tenant for rental arrears and special costs (Port Manor Apartments Inc. v Yang et al (15 June 2017), Vancouver S-166492 (BCSC) (unreported))

Commercial Lease Arbitration

- > Represented anchor tenant in arbitration against landlord regarding fair market rent of

leased premises