

Maris Holmes

Partner

Strata Property

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Profile

With a personable approach, Maris works with strata corporations to resolve issues and concerns in the communities our clients call home.

While she was just beginning her legal practice, Maris was an active owner in her Vancouver condo. She attended strata meetings and helped advance major building projects, learning about the processes and challenges strata corporations face. This inspired her to get more involved in Strata Property law. She understands the stress owners often face and applies a practical legal perspective to find workable solutions that provide relief.

Maris helps our clients through a myriad of issues, including noise, smoking, alterations, privacy issues, pets, human rights issues, accommodation requests, bylaw and rule drafting, building maintenance and resolutions.

Services

- > Reviewing and drafting bylaws and resolutions
- Assisting with bylaw enforcement proceedings: levying fines, council hearings, evictions of owners and tenants
- > Attending annual and special general meetings
- > Assisting in collections: fees, fines, special levies, deductibles and other chargebacks
- > Bringing lien enforcement applications

- > Initiating forced sales of strata lots
- > Amendments to strata plans
- > Developing privacy policies
- > Providing advice in relation to strata governance
- > Advising on issues arising in bare land strata corporations
- > Enforcement of Civil Resolution Tribunal Orders
- > Defending and assisting with Human Rights Code complaints
- > Assisting with proceedings at the Civil Resolution Tribunal
- > Changing the designation of parking stalls and storage lockers

Maris works to alleviate our strata clients' immediate concerns while ensuring these solutions will also proactively address potential concerns in the future. Her pleasant and approachable demeanour allows her to gather all the critical information to find the fully-considered solution that assists all parties in the short- and long term.

While every strata issue is different, Maris believes there is always an answer. She enjoys working collaboratively with our clients in order to uncover the solutions that bring these communities together.

Credentials

Industry Involvement

- > Canadian Bar Association, member
- > Law Society of British Columbia, member
- Professional Association of Managing Agents, Kelowna education committee member, 2017 - 2018

Community Commitments

- > Access Pro Bono Civil Chambers Project
- > Canadian Cancer Society
- > Elizabeth Fry Society
- > Motionball Marathon of Sport Special Olympics
- > Pancreatic Cancer Research

Education & Call to Bar

- > Call to Bar: British Columbia, 2016
- > University of British Columbia, Master of Laws, 2015
- > University of Leicester, Bachelor of Laws, 2014

External Publications

 Author, Human Rights chapter of CLEBC Strata Property Act Practice Manual, Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia