



## Dan W. Melnick

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### Profile

Dan is a litigator at Clark Wilson with a focus on construction and commercial disputes.

A dedicated advocate who understands the impact that disputes have on businesses, Dan works to resolve disputes efficiently through pre-litigation negotiation. When litigation becomes necessary, Dan acts as a strong advocate for his clients. Having appeared at all levels of court in British Columbia, Dan is well equipped to prosecute and defend claims through litigation.

At every stage of the litigation process, Dan is committed to finding practical, efficient, and fair resolutions for his clients through negotiation, mediation, or arbitration. Dan appreciates the importance of reputation and relationships in business and considers the long-term impact on his clients' business when he approaches disputes and potential resolutions.

In his construction litigation practice, Dan assists clients on matters involving builders liens, defect and negligence claims, and delay claims. He regularly gives presentations to industry stakeholders on construction related matters, including builders liens.

In his commercial litigation practice, Dan assists businesses and individuals with various matters, including claims for breach of contract, creditors remedies, partnership and shareholder disputes, and real property disputes.

Dan has been an active member of the Canadian Bar Association of BC during his career, and previously served on the organization's Board of Directors.

## Services

- > Construction litigation
- > Commercial and corporate litigation
- > Builders lien claims
- > Business disputes
- > Prosecution and defence of negligence claims
- > Breach of contract claims and contract disputes
- > Defect, delay, and extras claims
- > Fraud claims
- > Shareholder and partnership disputes
- > Creditor's remedies, pre-judgement remedies and post-judgement collection
- > Appellate advocacy
- > Real estate and development disputes

## Credentials

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### Awards & Distinctions

- > Thorsteinssons Prize in Taxation, 2016
- > Best Lawyers® in Canada: Corporate and Commercial Litigation, 2026
- > Best Lawyers® in Canada: Ones to Watch, Construction Law, 2026

### Industry Involvement

- > Member, Law Society of BC
- > Member, Canadian Bar Association
- > Member, Canadian Bar Association BC Branch ("CBABC")
- > Member, Trial Lawyers Associate of BC
- > Member, Civil Litigation – Vancouver, CBABC
- > Member, Construction Law – Vancouver, CBABC
- > Former Director (Young Lawyers Representative), CBABC Board of Directors
- > Former Young Lawyers Representative to Provincial Council, CBABC
- > Former County Representative for Victoria, CBABC
- > Former Chair, Young Lawyers – Victoria, CBABC
- > Former Vice Chair, Young Lawyers – Victoria, CBABC
- > Former Treasurer, Young Lawyers – Victoria, CBABC
- > Former Secretary, Civil Litigation – Vancouver Island, CBABC
- > Former Executive Member (Social Coordinator), Victoria Bar Association

### Education & Call to Bar

- > Call to Bar, British Columbia, 2017
- > University of Victoria, Juris Doctor (J.D.), 2016
- > University of Victoria, Bachelors degree, 2012