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Profile

Infrastructure and condominiums. At first blush, these two areas of practice, which make up Allyson's primary areas of practice, would not appear to have very much in common with each other. However, what Allyson sees in both areas is a transformation of the way we live in British Columbia.

Work Highlights

With a straightforward approach and direct advice, Allyson's priority is helping clients move forward with their projects.

Infrastructure, Construction & Procurement Services

- > Procurement issues
- > Drafting P3, design-build, stipulated price and construction management contracts
- > Tendering and contract disputes
- > Project insurance matters
- > Design and construction deficiencies

Strata Property Services

- > Rights, powers and duties of strata corporations under the Strata Property Act
- > Windings up of strata corporations
- > Drafting and interpreting strata-related documents, including contracts, resolutions, bylaws and rules
- > Insurance claims
- > Strata governance

When working through these issues, Allyson tries to convert complex concepts into simplified terms, which allows our clients to make informed decisions that bring success. Even just a small tweak to language can be the key to avoid disputes. Her goal is to draft our clients' documents in a way that minimizes potential problems during the implementation of our clients' endeavours.

What makes Allyson different as a solicitor is that she also has 14 years of experience as a litigator. She has gone to court. She knows what is involved and what is at stake in going to trial. This gives our clients an advantage because she strategically advises them on options and helps them avoid costly litigation.

Since commencing practice in 1994, Allyson has seen many changes in how we live our lives in British Columbia and considers herself fortunate to have the opportunity to contribute to some of those changes.

Credentials

Awards & Distinctions

- > Best Lawyers® in Canada, Real Estate Law, 2025-2026

Industry Involvement

- > Canadian Bar Association, member
- > Canadian Bar Association of British Columbia, member
- > Law Society of British Columbia, member

Community Commitments

- > Condominium Homeowners Association, board member, 2004 - Present

Education & Call to Bar

- > Call to Bar: British Columbia, 1994
- > University of British Columbia, Bachelor of Laws, 1993
- > Queen's University, Bachelor of Science (Biochemistry, graduated with Honours), 1989

External Presentations

- > Interviewee, B.C. government raising payments for strata contingency reserve funds, CBC News, January 2023
- > Speaker, "How Will Your Strata Manage Meetings, Use Of Property, And Contractors Through The 4th Wave of COVID-19", Condominium Home Owners Association of BC (CHOA), September 2021
- > Speaker, "Insurance Risk Bylaws and Educating Your Residents", Condominium Home

Owners Association of BC (CHOA), August 2021

- > Speaker, "Electronic Meetings for BC Strata Management Companies", SPABC Annual General Meeting, Strata Property Agents of BC, June 2021
- > Presenter, "Winding Up a Strata Corporation", The Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia, October 2019
- > Presenter, "Strata Property Act Update", Hot Topics in Real Estate Development Program Course, Pacific Business & Law Institute, September 2019
- > Contributor, "Strata Wind Up Update", Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia, November 2018
- > Presenter, "Winding Up A Strata Corporation: Public Forum", Condominium Homeowners Association, April 2017
- > Contributor, Condo Smarts: Better to find solutions before a crisis occurs, The Province, September 2017
- > Contributor, "Complex Stratas", Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia, October 2016
- > Contributor, "Hot Topics in Strata Law", Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia, December 2013

External Publications

- > Editor, CLE Strata Property Act Practice Manual, The Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia
- > Author on CLE Strata Property Act Practice Manual chapters regarding insurance, duty to repair, separate sections and windings up, The Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia