CENTRE FOR BUSINESS LAW





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Message from the Chair

As Chair of the Dean's Advisory Committee since 2020, I am immensely proud of the creativity and resilience of the Centre for Business Law, which has continued to grow and thrive amidst the disruptions as a result of COVID-19.

In 2022, as we began to transition away from the centrality of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Centre was able to return to a variety of meaningful in-person and hybrid events that fostered wonderful connections and community, while also continuing to provide fantastic online continuing legal education. This year the Centre hosted and co-hosted 43 events, with 182 speakers and panelists, and 4,878 participants. We also witnessed outstanding contributions from Allard scholars in the field, ranging in topics from artificial intelligence to racial justice to international competition law.

This year the Centre reached new heights. We were able to celebrate in-person our highly anticipated annual Welcome Reception, as well as celebratory receptions for our Richards Buell Sutton LLP Business Law Clinic and Norton Rose Fulbright LLP Corporate Counsel Externship, among the premier business law experiential learning programs in Canada. It was a joy to welcome new students and see so many of our Centre's business law community at these events, which were oversubscribed. The ability to connect inperson again is not something any of us should take for granted.



I am deeply proud of the work that the Centre for Business Law, and its Director, Dr. Carol Liao, has achieved in 2022. I am especially grateful for the support from the business and legal communities, and in particular the firm sponsors and individual donors that enable the Centre to thrive. I hope you enjoy our 2022 Annual Report and join me in celebrating another successful year for the Centre for Business Law.

Sincerely,

Mitchell H. Gropper, KC Chair, Dean's Advisory Committee

About the Chair: Mitchell H. Gropper, KC is a senior partner at Farris LLP and a long-time supporter of the Peter A. Allard School of Law and Centre for Business Law. A widely respected leader in the business legal community, he is rated by Lexpert as one of Vancouver's leading lawyers in mergers & acquisitions, corporate finance and commercial law, ALM 500 lawyers, Canada's 40 Deal-Makers, Canada's 100 most creative lawyers, Canada's 100 leading cross-border transaction lawyers, and profiled as one of the "Most Frequently Recommended" lawyers across Canada. He is the Chancellor and a member of the Board of University of Canada West and the Chair of the Project Assurance Board for the \$16 billion BC Hydro Site C Green Energy Project.

Message from the Director

This is my fourth year as Director of the very busy and dynamic Centre for Business Law, and it has been an exciting time.

During my tenure as Director, we have hosted and co-hosted 116 events across campus, downtown, and online to date, with 43 events in 2022. These events bring together faculty, staff, students, and lawyers to discuss some of the most pressing issues within the business legal community.

I am proud of our two extraordinary and highly soughtafter experiential learning programs: the NRF LLP Corporate Counsel Externship and RBS LLP Business Law Clinic, led by our stellar clinical professors Erika Tse, Ryan J. Black, Tyson Gratton, and Maneesha Dakha. Each year we also graduate several students from our Business Law Concentration.

The Centre thrives on its affiliates, students, faculty, lawyers, community members, and friends that have supported the Centre over the years, especially the law firms and lawyers that have participated in our programs as sponsors, advisors, instructors, and mentors. Special thanks to Lawson Lundell LLP, Norton Rose Fulbright LLP, Richards Buell Sutton LLP, Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP, McCarthy Tétrault LLP, McMillan LLP, and our individual donors, for their incredible generosity which has enabled the Centre's activities.



I am grateful to Mitchell Gropper, KC, and the Dean's Advisory Committee for their invaluable advice, and to Justin Chhuor, Stephanie Lee, and Austin Darling, the Centre's Lead Operations Coordinators who have been an immense support throughout 2022. The Centre is at the forefront of training the next generation of lawyers in a shifting legal landscape and changing climate. I am continually struck each year by the generosity of our legal profession, which I am so immensely proud to be a part of with you. Thank you for your continued support of the Centre and please enjoy our activities as shared within these pages, and into year 2023.

Sincerely,

Dr. Carol Liao Director, Centre for Business Law

About the Director: Dr. Carol Liao is an Associate Professor at the Peter A. Allard School of Law and the UBC Sauder Distinguished Scholar of the Peter P. Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics, UBC Sauder School of Business. An award-winning teacher and researcher, Dr. Liao is also Principal Co-Investigator of the Canada Climate Law Initiative and a former Bertram Scholar of the Institute of Corporate Directors. Prior to academia, she was a senior associate in the Mergers & Acquisitions Group of Shearman & Sterling LLP in New York and clerked at the BC Court of Appeal. In 2021, she received the Influential Women in Business Award from Business in Vancouver and was named as one of Canada's Top 100 Most Powerful Women by the Women's Executive Network. In 2022, she received the Woman of the Year Award (Equity and Inclusion Champion) from BCBusiness. She will be on research sabbatical beginning July 2023.

2022 at a Glance

Scholars and Students





42



Research Publications by Allard Law Scholars

Students Graduated in Business Law Concentration



9 Students Graduated in

LLM Tax Program



32

JD Students in Experiential Programs

Events



43

Events



Panelists

182



420

Conference Participants



4,878

Event Attendees



1,225

Post-Event Online Views

Communications



4,078





872

Twitter Followers



302

Facebook Followers



259

LinkedIn Followers





Instagram Followers

Dean's Advisory Committee

The Dean's Advisory Committee is composed of exceptional members of the business law community who provide important strategic advice and direction to the Centre.



Chair Mitchell H. Gropper, KC Senior Partner Farris LLP



Terri-Lynn Williams-Davidson, KC General Counsel, Haida Nation Principal Lawyer, White Raven Law Corporation



Tom Theodorakis Senior Partner McMillan LLP



Lorna Strong Deputy General Counsel Global Trade & Receivables Finance HSBC (London)



Clifford G. Proudfoot, KC Managing Partner Lawson Lundell LLP



Peter O'Callaghan Office Managing Partner Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP



Lori A. Mathison President & CEO Chartered Professional Accountants of BC



Nazma Lee Senior Legal Counsel BC Securities Commission



Ted Koffman Senior Partner McCarthy Tétrault LLP



Janet Grove, KC Senior Partner Norton Rose Fulbright LLP



Gigi Chen-Kuo Chief Operating Officer Translink



Ryan J. Black Senior Partner DLA Piper LLP



Nicco Bautista Director, Estate Planning BMO Private Wealth



Karim Amlani Senior Director, Legal Hootsuite

In 2022, several Dean's Advisory Committee members were acknowledged for their leadership in the legal community, including recognition by Lexpert / ALM 500, Best Lawyers in Canada, Chambers Global, Who's Who, and other notable lists.

- Lori A. Mathison, Peter O'Callaghan, Clifford G. Proudfoot, KC and Terri-Lynn Williams-Davidson, KC were celebrated in *Business in Vancouver*'s BC500 recognizing the 500 most influential business leaders who have made a notable impact on BC's communities, industries, and economy.
- **Ryan J. Black** received the Adjunct and Volunteer Service Award in recognition for his exemplary teaching and service to the RBS LLP Business Law Clinic at Allard Law.
- **Gigi Chen-Kuo** was a finalist for the YWCA Women of Distinction Awards and Women in Infrastructure Outstanding Leader Award.





Canada Climate Law Initiative

The Canada Climate Law Initiative (CCLI) provides businesses and regulators with climate governance guidance so they can make informed decisions towards a net-zero economy. Powered by the nation's top expertise, CCLI engages with boards of directors and trustees to ensure businesses understand their legal duties with respect to climate change. Legal research allows CCLI to stay one step ahead in a rapidly transforming policy landscape.



Canada Climate | L'Initiative canadienne Law Initiative de droit climatique

Principal Co-Investigators



Dr. Janis Sarra Professor Allard Law



Dr. Barnali Choudhury Professor Osgoode Law



Dr. Carol Liao Associate Professor Allard Law



Terri-Lynn Williams-Davidson, KC General Counsel Haida Nation



Professor Cynthia Williams Professor Emerita Osgoode Law



Sonia li Trottier Director Canada Climate Law Initiative

In 2022, the Canada Climate Law Initiative published a number of sectorspecific guides including:

- Retail's Route to Net-Zero Emissions: The Canadian Retail Sector and Effective Climate Governance
- Fossil Fuel Subsidies in Canada: Governance Implications in the • **Net-Zero Transition**
- Banking on a Net-Zero Future: Effective Climate Governance for • Canadian Banks
- A Guide to Effective Climate Governance in the Canadian Real Estate • Sector: Building for the Net Zero-Future

CCLI also continued to amplify its presence:

- 37,000+ users visited ccli.ubc.ca .
- 1,075 Twitter Followers •
- 3,388 report downloads from CCLI's online knowledge hub
- 70 Climate Governance Experts; 45 board presentations •



Anti-Corruption Law Program

The Anti-Corruption Law Program (ACLP) is a collaborative partnership between the Centre for Business Law, Transparency International Canada, and the Vancouver Anti-Corruption Institute. The ACLP hosts conferences, seminars, and colloquia on best anti-corruption practices with experts across the globe and has attracted support from several public and private organizations, as well as other universities in Canada and abroad. This year the ACLP launched a four-part webinar series to explore key recommendations arising from the Cullen Commission Report that was released in June 2022.

Directors



Joseph Weiler Professor Emerita Allard Law



John Ritchie Engineer **FIDIC Integrity** Management Committee



Norman Baldwin Partner GRC Vista Risk Consulting



Over 300 people attended the ACLP event on March 9 featuring the Hon. Roy Cullen, Hon. Allan Rock, Matthew Stephenson, Juanita Olaya Garcia, and Hon. Peter McKay discussing the prospects of an International Anti-Corruption Court.

In collaboration with



Anti-Corruption Law Program

Hon, Roy Cullen





INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION COURT:







Wednesday, March 9 | 9-11 am PT | Zoom

CENTRE FOR BUSINESS LAW

Future Minerals Working Group

In 2019, the Centre for Business Law initiated a mining law seminar series with the UBC School of Public Policy and Global Affairs (SPPGA), Norman B. Keevil Institute of Mining Engineering (NBK Mining Institute) and the UBC Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences (EOAS). This cross-faculty research cluster has grown in 2022 into the Future Minerals Working Group to advance interdisciplinary projects on the future of critical minerals, Indigenous sovereignty, and sustainable societies in our climate emergency.

Collaborators



Dr. Philippe Tortell Professor & Head EOAS



Dave Porter Kaska Nation First Nations Energy and Mining Council



Dr. Carol Liao Associate Professor Allard Law

In Spring 2023, the group is launching the Killam Connection Award-winning interdisciplinary

graduate course: "Heavy Metal: The Future of

Mineral Exploration and Sustainable Societies"

cross-listed as PPGA 591W, LAW 467D, EOSC 543,



Dr. Nadja Kunz Assistant Professor SPPGA & NBK Mining Institute

Dr. Scott Dunbar Professor & Head NBK Mining Institute

Dr. Sara Ghebremusse Assistant Professor Allard Law



Dr. Allison M. Macfarlane Professor & Head SPPGA



Dr. Roger Beckie Professor EOAS



Dr. Werner Antweiler Associate Professor UBC Sauder

CONGRATULATIONS

UBC Course "Heavy Metal: Earth's Minerals and the Future of Sustainable Societies"

selected as the Killam Connection 2021-2022 course

THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA

School of Public Policy and Global Affairs Norman B. Keevil Institute of Mining Engineering Peter A. Allard School of Law Department of Earth, Ocean and Atmospheric Sciences



MINE 590W.

EARTH, OCEAN & ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCES





In collaboration with

Responsible Business and the Law

The Centre for Business Law is a close collaborator with the UBC Sauder School of Business in advancing cuttingedge business scholarship and educating responsible leaders for tomorrow. On June 24 and 25, the Centre was a co-organizer and sponsor of the Insights into Business for Social Good event hosted by the Peter P. Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics with over 250 attendees. The Centre also supports the UBC Sauder Justice, Equity, Diversity, Decolonization & Inclusion (JEDDI) Seminar Series and Decision Insights into Business & Society (DIBS) Seminar Series. Each year, select UBC Sauder BCom students can choose to take certain business law courses at Allard Law, fostering a unique cross-faculty experience for the next generation of business professionals.



Collaborators



Dr. Kate White Senior Associate Dean, EDI UBC Sauder



Christie Stephenson Executive Director Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics UBC Sauder



Dr. Kirstin Appelt Research Director DIBS UBC Sauder



Dr. Carol Liao UBC Sauder Distinguished Scholar Allard Law



June 24, 2022, Fairmont Hotel Vancouve Peter P. Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics UBC Sauder School of Business

In collaboration with



Peter P. Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics



DIBS Decision Insights for Business & Society



Montalbano Centre for Responsible Leadership Development

Contemporary Global Legal Issues

Since 2020, McMillan LLP, the Centre for Asia-Pacific Initiatives (CAPI), and the Centre for Business Law have collaborated on a series of webinars exploring contemporary issues in law, including Canada-Asia legal relations, national research partnerships, customary international law, and cyber risk, which have drawn hundreds of participants across governments, law, business and academia to hear from leading experts on these global issues.

Collaborators



Stephen D. Wortley Executive Partner Chair, Hong Kong Office McMillan LLP



Dr. Victor V. Ramraj Director CAPI University of Victoria



Dr. Carol Liao Director Centre for Business Law Allard Law





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More than 200 people joined online on April 26 to hear experts offer insight into the macro and micro implications of cybersecurity and best practices for protecting private information, and on April 27 to hear how international research partnerships intersect with security concerns and how geopolitics plays a role in the ability – and thus desire – of individuals and institutions to engage in international research partnerships.





UBC Professorship in Business Law

The Lawson Lundell LLP UBC Professorship in Business Law was established in 2018 as part of a larger gift enhancing the Centre for Business Law's ability to offer outstanding educational programs and the advancement of business law scholarship through leading research.



Dr. Maziar Peihani Assistant Professor Allard Law

Dr. Maziar Peihani holds the Lawson Lundell UBC Professorship of Business Law. He teaches and researches in the area of business and financial law with a special focus on the regulation of banks. Prior to joining UBC he was a Senior Fellow at the Hennick Centre for Business and Law at Osgoode Hall Law School, as well as a Research Fellow at the National University of Singapore. He previously worked as the lead in-house expert on international financial law at the Centre for International Governance Innovation.

Activities Spotlight

In 2022, Dr. Peihani's article "Regulation of Cyber Risk in the Banking System: A Canadian Case Study" was published in the Journal of Financial Regulation. The article examines the Canadian banking system's cyber risk governance framework, arguing that the existing regulatory approach falls short of what is needed to meet the unique challenges of cyber risk in the financial sector. The research advocates for adding a resiliencecentric approach to complement the current paradigm. Prior to its publication, the article was listed on SSRN's Top Ten download list for Regulation & Supervision. Dr. Peihani will present his research in at the annual Farris lecture in January 2023.

Davies Corporate & Securities Moot

On April 1-2, Allard Law participated in the 2022 Davies Corporate & Securities Moot. Sean Boyle from Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP was the moot coach for the team and Dr. Peihani was the faculty supervisor.



Sean Boyle Moot Coach & Senior Partner Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP

Isabella Picui, Josh Friedman, Simon Lusztig, and Maddison Zapach (left to right below) won second place for their factum. In addition, Isabella and Simon were placed in the top 5 and top 10 oralists, respectively. The team delivered exceptional written and oral advocacy and were outstanding representatives of the law school.



Selected Faculty Publications

The Centre for Business Law is committed to advancing scholarship through cutting-edge legal research. In 2022, 42 business law-related publications were produced by outstanding Allard faculty.



Natasha Affolder, Professor

"An Unknown Past, an Unequal Present, and an Uncertain Future: Transnational Environmental Law Through Three Research Challenges" in Research Handbook on Transnational Environmental Law



Hassan Ahmad, Assistant Professor

- "The Jurisdictional Vacuum: Transnational Corporate Human Rights Claims in Common Law Home States" in American Journal of Comparative Law
- "The Missing Forum for Corporate Human Rights Violations in African Host States" in Business and Human Rights Law in Africa



Patricia Barkaskas,

 Associate Professor of Teaching
"Pedagogical Talking Circles: Decolonizing Education through Relational Indigenous Frameworks" in

Journal of Teaching and Learning



Samuel Beswick, Assistant Professor

- "Discovery Demystified" in Cambridge Law Journal
- "Strike-Out Appeals, Unjust Enrichment, and Discoverability: Insights from Kenya" in Common Law World Review



Brenna Bhandar, Associate Professor

• Abolition Geography: Essays Towards Liberation by Ruth Wilson Gilmore



Ljiljana Biuković, Professor

"The First Challenge to Canada's Supply Management System under CUSMA: Tweaking the Supply Management System One Dispute at





a Time" in The Canadian Yearbook of International Law

Gordon Christie, Professor

"Potential Aboriginal Rights-holders: Canada and Cultural Communities versus Indigenous Peoples and Sociopolitical Bodies" in Osgoode Hall Law Journal

Wei Cui, Professor

- The Administrative Foundations of the Chinese Fiscal State
- "How Well-Targeted are Payroll Tax Cuts as a Response to COVID-19: Evidence from China" in International Tax and Public Finance
- "Cash on the Table? Imperfect Take-up of Tax Incentives and Firm Investment Behaviour" in Journal of Public Economics

Julen Etxabe, Assistant Professor

"The Dialogical Language of Law" in Osgoode Hall Law Journal

Alexandra Flynn, Associate Professor

- "Parks as Persons: Legal Innovation or Colonial Appropriation?" in Fordham Urban Law Journal
- "Are Tents a 'Home'? Extending Section 8 Privacy Rights for the Precariously Housed" in McGill Law Journal

Cristie Ford, Professor

"The Legal Innovation Sandbox" in American Journal of Comparative Law

Sara Ghebremusse, Assistant Professor

"The Shortcomings of Regulating Transparency for Sustainable Development in African Mining" in Innovating Business for Sustainability: Regulatory Approaches in the Anthropocene











Douglas Harris, Professor

- "A Liberal Theory of Property in Condominium" in International Journal of Law in Context
- A Property Law Reader: Cases, Questions, and Commentary, 5th ed
- "Condominium: A Transformative Innovation in Property and Local Government" in The Routledge Handbook of Property, Law and Society



Bethany Hastie, Associate Professor

"An Unwelcome Burden: Sexual Harassment, Consent and Legal Complaints" in Osgoode Hall Law Journal



Camden Hutchison, Assistant Professor

"To Whom are Duties Owed? Evidence from Canadian M&A Transactions" in McGill Law Journal



Yuvraj Joshi, Assistant Professor

"Racial Justice and Peace" in Georgetown Law Journal

Carol Liao, Associate Professor

- Innovating Business for Sustainability: Regulatory Approaches in the Anthropocene
- "Power, Gender, and Race in the Legal Profession" in Canadian Journal of Women and the Law



Liwen Lin, Associate Professor

"Mandatory Corporate Social **Responsibility Legislation Around** the World: Emergent Varieties and National Experiences" in University of Pennsylvania Journal of Business Law



Bruce MacDougall, Professor

Introduction to Contracts, 5th ed



Shigenori Matsui, Professor

"Pandemic: COVID-19 and the Public Health Emergency" in Arizona Journal of International and Comparative Law

Marcus Moore, Assistant Professor



"The Flaws of Magic Bullet Theory: Retraining Unconscionability to Discretely Target Different Contexts of Unfairness in Contracts" in Dalhousie Law Journal

- "Developments in Contract Law" in Supreme Court Law Review
- "The Doctrine of Contractual Absolution" in Alberta Law Review
- "Demystifying Implied Terms" in King's Law Journal

System: A Canadian Case Study" in Journal of Financial Regulation

"Regulation of Cyber Risk in the Banking

Canadian Intellectual Property Law: Cases

Maziar Peihani, Assistant Professor

Graham Reynolds, Associate Professor

and Materials, 3rd ed









"Workers and Competition Law in India: Workers' Associations are Mostly Not in Cartels" in The Cambridge Handbook of Labor in Competition Law

Galit Sarfaty, Associate Professor



"Corporate Data Responsibility" in Big Data and Armed Conflict: Legal Issues Above and Below the Armed Conflict Threshold

Janis Sarra, Professor

- Retail's Route to Net-Zero Emissions: The Canadian Retail Sector and Effective Climate Governance
- The 2022 Annotated Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act

Kristen Thomasen, Assistant Professor

- "AI and Tort Law" in Artificial Intelligence and the Law in Canada
- "Reasonable Expectations of Privacy in an Era of Drones and Deepfakes: Expanding the Supreme Court of Canada's Decision in R v. Jarvis" in The Emerald International Handbook of Technology-Facilitated Violence and Abuse

Stepan Wood, Professor

"Local Grounding of Transnational Private Governance Authority: Translation, Contestation, Legitimation and Communities of Practice" in New **Political Economy**









Business Law Clinic

Established in 1871

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The Richards Buell Sutton LLP Business Law Clinic provides law students with educational opportunities to use their substantive understanding of business law in a clinical setting for the benefit of the public. Students develop practical and legal skills and a greater understanding of professional ethics and responsibility. In addition to providing a hands-on, client-facing experiential learning environment for students, the Clinic contributes to the community by expanding access to legal services for a range of small businesses and non-profit organizations.

Adjunct Professors



Tyson Gratton Senior Associate DLA Piper LLP



Maneesha Dakha Associate DLA Piper LLP



Ryan J. Black Senior Partner DLA Piper LLP

2022 Represented Industries

- Technology & professional services
- Education & mentoring
- Student organizations
- Cloud providers & innovative tech
- Creative professionals
- Consumer & food services
- Childcare
- Sports, theatre & entertainment
- Therapy & mental health
- Video games

Services Provided

- Business structuring & incorporation
- Early-stage financing
- Bylaw / constating documents review
- Commercial agreements & licenses
- Ecommerce agreements
- Terms of use
- Privacy policies & NDAs
- Employment matters
- Contract review
- Corporate governance

Program Support



Stephanie Lee JD Student and Clinic Assistant









"The Clinic has been the most impactful experience of my law school journey. I gained skills that are meaningful for my professional development and equipped me with a toolkit for any job in law. I felt empowered & supported by my peers, the Clinical Professors, and the Centre for Business Law. Most importantly, I was able to directly serve the local business community." -Arkie Liu JD Student





On October 13, RBS LLP hosted a wonderful full house of Allard students, faculty, lawyers, and community members to celebrate all the accomplishments of the RBS LLP Business Law Clinic.

Corporate Counsel Externship

By placing students in the legal department of a business-oriented organization, the Norton Rose Fulbright LLP Corporate Counsel Externship provides a unique opportunity to learn directly from experienced corporate counsel in a supportive educational environment while applying theoretical concepts to practice and developing a deeper understanding of professional ethics. The Externship exposes students to the variety and complexity of in-house counsel practice.

Adjunct Professor



Erika Tse Chief Legal Officer & VP Human Resources Glentel Inc.

Program Support



Justin Chhuor JD Student and Clinic Assistant

2022 Participating Organizations

NORTON ROSE

FULBRIGHT

- Aritzia
- Best Buy Canada
- Canalyst
- Coast Capital Savings
- FortisBC
- Herschel Supply Co.
- Hootsuite
- ICBC
- London Drugs
- Lululemon Athletica
- Methanex
- Mountain Equipment Company
- Westport Fuel Systems Inc.

What Students Observe During Externship

- Aboriginal law
- Brand management
- Commercial law
- Competition law
- Consumer protection
- Corporate law
- Employment & labour
- Environmental law
- Ethics
- Finance
- Insolvency
- Intellectual property
- Investor relations

- Litigation
- Marketing & advertising
- Mergers & acquisitions
- Privacy law
- Procurement
- Public relations
- Real estate
- Regulatory
- Risk management
- Securities law
- Strategy
- Taxation
- Transportation law





"It is difficult to get a sense of what working in-house is like before you actually make the decision. The Externship sets students up for that possibility and gives us a better perspective into what that alternative pathway looks like. I had such a refreshing and fun experience, and I would recommend the Externship program to all law students!" –Joanna Tu JD Student



On October 2, Norton Rose Fulbright LLP hosted over 100 Allard students, faculty, and participating organizations in the NRF LLP Corporate Counsel Externship at their beautiful Sky Garden.

Business Law Concentration



The Business Law Concentration is an optional program which requires JD students to complete six mandatory courses plus an additional six credits from a selection of 38 optional business law courses over their second and third years of study. The Concentration is recognized through a notation on students' transcripts and certificate upon completion of the program.

2022 Certificate Recipients

Congratulations to all the students that have successfully completed the Business Law Concentration program!

- Benjamin Seb Lloyd
- Deniz Cem Özensoy
- Dylan Shaw
- Chun Hsiang Eric Mo
- Jun Fei (Fay) Wang
- Jingquan (Jennifer) Huang
- Jordan Gin
- Justice Tuccaro
- Kyle Gough
- Kyle Gordon Beresford Smith
- Maxwell Lyon Guld
- Chun Hei Michael Lukas Wong
- Peter James Breen
- Sean Ryan Mak

Mandatory Courses

- Law 407 Taxation
- Law 437 Commercial Transactions
- Law 438 Secured Transactions
- Law 459 Business Organizations
- Law 463 Securities Regulation
- Law 466 Business Law Capstone



Welcome Reception

The past two pandemic years kept this event online, but on September 16, the Centre for Business Law and Allard Law & Business Society were back to host their biggest annual social event of the year. We welcomed over 150 students, lawyers, faculty, and supporters from the legal community to celebrate and thank them for their contributions to the Centre and Allard Law.



Events in 2022

January 24 Mothers in Law

February 2

Fixed Income Investing and ESG



February 9

Retail's Route to Net-Zero Emissions: The Canadian Retail Sector and Effective Climate Governance

March 1

COVID-19 in Asia: Lessons & Reflections Two Years On

March 9

International Anti-Corruption Court: An Idea Whose Time Has Come?

March 10

Pandemic Consequences on the Future Business of Law and the Legal Profession

March 10 Centre for Business Law Information Session

March 11 Book Launch: Rehearsals for Living



March 23 Fossil Fuels Subsidies and Climate Transition Risk: How Will Your Organization Adapt to Changing Policies?

April 26 A New World Order: Cybersecurity Risks, Mitigation Strategies and Opportunities for Canadians in a Rapidly Changing Global Environment

April 27

Canada and International Research Partnerships: How Does National Security and Geopolitical Considerations Affect the Ability and Desire to Engage in Cross-Border Research Collaborations?

April 27

Executive Program in Mining Law and Sustainability Information Session

May 24 ESG Ratings: Where Does Anti-Corruption Fit?

May 25 Climate Commitment Event: Open Signatory Call



June 7 TSX Venture Exchange Issuers and Climate Reporting: Why is it Important?

June 16 Getting Serious About Climate Change: How Business Must Step Up

June 23 Canadian Law of Obligations: Power & Limits of Private Law

June 24 Business for Social Good Conference

September 16 Welcome Reception

September 19

Implementing the Cullen Recommendations to Improve Private Sector Self-Regulation to Combat Money Laundering

September 22

Inclusive Leadership Forum: The Future of Leadership

September 28

Re-Imagining Sustainable Development Conference



September 29 Housing Now: How New Census Data Will Shape the Canadian Housing Landscapes

October 3 NRF Corporate Counsel Externship Reception

October 5

Working with Public Companies: A Day in the Life of a Securities Lawyer

October 6 Greenwashing and Financial Markets

October 12 An Evening with Women General Counsel

October 13 RBS Business Law Clinic Reception

October 25 Decolonizing Business Curricula

October 31 What Does the Cullen Commission Mean for Beneficial Ownership Transparency in Canada?

November 1 Innovating Affordable Housing in Canada: The HART Project

November 2

Allard Book Launch: Corporate Law and Sustainability from the Next Generation of Lawyers

November 3 Downtown Book Launch: Corporate Law and Sustainability from the Next Generation of Lawyers

November 4

BIG Difference BC Conference



November 10 Innovating Business for Sustainability: Regulatory Approaches in the Anthropocene

November 14

Putting Racial Equity at the Heart of City Government: Working at the Intersection of Law, Policy, and Racial Justice

November 16

Building Sustainable Business: A Conversation with Women in ESG

November 18

Girl Interrupted: Asynchronous Teamwork and Gender Differences in Performance



November 22 Unidentified Wealth Orders and the Future of Civil Forfeiture

November 28 Sustainable Investment: Sustainability in Practice

December 2

Overview of Encampments Across Canada: A Right to Housing Approach

December 8

What Investors Need to Know About Changes in Regulation for Disclosure and Management of Climate Related Financial Risks and Opportunities

December 9

Effective Climate Governance in the Canadian Commercial Real Estate Sector

Supporting Students

The Centre for Business Law hosted and co-hosted a number of events geared to supporting students in their career development as new lawyers entering the legal profession.

Mothers in Law

The Centre co-sponsored the Allard Women's Caucus in their virtual roundtable discussion with distinguished lawyers who identify as mothers on the challenges and rewards of balancing parenthood, a legal career, and personal life. Moderated by Joanna El-Mikati, JD Student.



Working with Public Companies: A Day in the Life of a Securities Lawyer

Securities law is a big part of the practice of law in Vancouver but unless students take an upper year course on the subject, they may never learn what it really involves. Each year, Steve McKoen, KC and Susan Tomaine at Blake, Cassels & Graydon LLP provide new Allard students with a valuable introduction



to securities law practice. One of the Centre's most popular events.



Wednesday, October 5 | 12:30 - 1:30pm | Lew Forum

Blakes BUSINESS LAW

Pandemic Consequences on the Future Business of Law and the Legal Profession

Co-hosted with the Allard Law & Business Society, this hybrid (in-person and online) event with over 100 people explored how the business of law has been impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic for lawyers entering the profession, including in the delivery of legal services, access to mental health support, and equity, diversity, and inclusion. Moderated by Ada Ang and Amit Chandi, JD Students.





Event Spotlights

An Evening with Women General Counsel

This inaugural event that the Centre co-hosted with the Career Services Office and Allard Women's Caucus was also sponsored by Women General Counsel Canada. Students heard from a panel of some of the most prominent female in-house counsel in the Lower Mainland about their career paths and experience, the benefits and challenges of working in-house, and guidance on how to navigate a successful in-house legal career.





Canadian Law of Obligations: The Power & Limits of Private Law

Allard Law hosted the third Canadian Law of Obligations conference on campus at UBC's Green College, The Power and Limits of Private Law. The conference was held in honour of eminent Canadian obligations scholar, Dr. Lionel Smith, the Sir William C. Macdonald Professor of Law at McGill University. Professors Samuel Beswick and Marcus Moore of Allard Law were the conference hosts.



Girl Interrupted: Asynchronous Teamwork and Gender Differences in Performance

As part of its JEDDI Series, the Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics hosted Professor Aruna Ranganathan from UC Berkley to discuss her latest research on how women perform better when teamwork is asynchronous, rather than synchronous, because working alone affords them greater freedom for creative expression. Men did not experience the same boost, and thus the rise of asynchronous teamwork has the potential to reduce gender disparities in performance.



Event Spotlight

Corporate Law and Sustainability from the Next Generation of Lawyers

On November 2 and 3, the Centre for Business Law co-hosted the launch of *Corporate Law and Sustainability from the Next Generation of Lawyers* (McGill-Queen's University Press) at Allard Law and downtown Vancouver. Over 300 people attended the two launch events.

The events were co-hosted with the Allard Law & Business Society, Allard Women's Caucus, Centre for Feminist Legal Studies, and the Centre for Law and the Environment.







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