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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 Fullbright 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 in-person 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 sought-after 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
- **14** Students Graduated in Business Law Concentration
- **9** Students Graduated in LLM Tax Program
- **32** JD Students in Experiential Programs

Events

- **43** Events
- **182** Panelists
- **420** Conference Participants
- **4,878** Event Attendees
- **1,225** Post-Event Online Views

Communications

- **4,078** Newsletter Subscribers
- **872** Twitter Followers
- **302** Facebook Followers
- **259** LinkedIn Followers
- **120** Instagram Followers
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

**Janet Grove, KC**
Senior Partner
Norton Rose Fulbright LLP

**Ted Koffman**
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McCarthy Tétrault LLP

**Nazma Lee**
Senior Legal Counsel
BC Securities Commission

**Peter O’Callaghan**
Office Managing Partner
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**Lorna Strong**
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Deputy General Counsel
Global Trade & Receivables Finance
HSBC (London)
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.

In 2022, the Canada Climate Law Initiative published a number of sector-specific 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
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.

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**INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION COURT: AN IDEA WHOSE TIME HAS COME?**

**Moderator:**
Hon. Roy Cullen

**Panelists:**
Juanita Olaya Garcia, Hon. Peter MacKay, Hon. Allan Rock, Matthew Stephenson

Wednesday, March 9 | 9-11 am PT | Zoom
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. Nadja Kunz
Assistant Professor
SPPGA & NBK Mining Institute

Dr. Allison M. Macfarlane
Professor & Head
SPPGA

Dr. Philippe Tortell
Professor & Head
EOAS

Dr. Scott Dunbar
Professor & Head
NBK Mining Institute

Dr. Roger Beckie
Professor
EOAS

Dr. Werner Antweiler
Associate Professor
UBC Sauder

Dr. Sara Ghebremusse
Assistant Professor
Allard Law

Dave Porter
Kaska Nation
First Nations
Energy and Mining Council

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, MINE 590W.

In collaboration with

EARTH, OCEAN & ATMOSPHERIC SCIENCES
THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA
School of Public Policy and Global Affairs
NORMAN B. KEEVIL INSTITUTE OF MINING ENGINEERING
Responsible Business and the Law

The Centre for Business Law is a close collaborator with the UBC Sauder School of Business in advancing cutting-edge 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

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Peter P. Dhillon Centre for Business Ethics

UBC Sauder School of Business  
DIBS  
Decision Insights for Business & Society

UBC Sauder School of Business  
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

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

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.
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 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 resilience-centric 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.

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.
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 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 Socio-political 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

Bethany Hastie, Associate Professor

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

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

Maziar Peihani, Assistant Professor

Graham Reynolds, Associate Professor

Supriya Routh, Associate Professor
- “Examining the Legal Legitimacy of Informal Economic Activities” in Social and Legal Studies
- “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
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

Stephanie Lee
JD Student and Clinic Assistant

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
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.

“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
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**

- 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
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.

“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

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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

CERTIFICATE OF BUSINESS LAW CONCENTRATION

The Peter A. Allard School of Law at the University of British Columbia certifies that

Kyle Gough

has successfully completed the necessary requirements of the Business Law Concentration in accordance with the regulations of the University of British Columbia Senate and is therefore entitled to all the rights and privileges pertaining thereto.

Given this 1st day of June 2022

Centre for Business Law
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.

In collaboration with
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

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.

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.

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.
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.
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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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