



# Douglas T. Yoshida

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## Bar Admission

Alberta 2000

## Law School

Dalhousie University

## Practices

Litigation and Dispute Resolution  
Corporate Commercial Litigation  
Insurance Litigation  
Professional Liability  
Securities Litigation  
Competition Litigation  
Alternative Dispute Resolution

## Industries

Energy & Resources  
Franchise & Distribution

Doug Yoshida is a partner and the Practice Lead of the Litigation Group in Calgary. Doug's practice focuses on corporate-commercial disputes in the energy industry.

Doug has appeared as lead counsel at all levels of court in Alberta, including in chambers, trials and appeals and represents parties in mediations and administrative and arbitration hearings. Doug is regularly retained by companies in the energy industry, both private and public, due to his understanding of his clients' businesses and his significant experience crafting strategic, creative and practical solutions to complex business disputes.

Doug has been recognized by Chambers Canada as a Leading Lawyer in General Commercial Litigation, by Benchmark Canada as a Litigation Star in the areas of commercial, securities, arbitration and energy litigation, by The Legal 500 in Dispute Resolution and by Lexpert as a Leading Lawyer in Corporate Commercial and Energy Litigation.

**He is a strong, very sound and experienced lawyer...He has got a very strong reputation, which can get a lot of things done on its own.**

— CHAMBERS CANADA, LITIGATION: GENERAL COMMERCIAL – ALBERTA, CLIENT INTERVIEW

Doug's litigation experience includes disputes that arise during and after corporate transactions and the purchase and sale of assets; joint venture disputes; facility and equipment failures; engineering, procurement and construction claims; insurance coverage claims; product liability issues; professional negligence claims; fraud, conspiracy and breach of fiduciary claims; and shareholder rights issues, including oppression, insider trading, arrangement and share valuation claims.

Doug received his Bachelor of Arts degree in philosophy from the University of Lethbridge and University of Calgary and obtained his law degree from Dalhousie University.

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Since 2005, Doug has served on the national pro bono committee at McCarthy Tétrault LLP which helps oversee the approximately 10,000 hours per year of pro bono services that the firm's lawyers provide to individuals with limited means and charitable organizations. Doug helped lead the creation of the Civil Claims Duty Counsel and Queen's Bench Amicus programs which provide pro bono legal advice to approximately 5,000-6,000 unrepresented litigants per year in the Alberta courts.

Doug's past and current community activities include: Pro Bono Students Canada, Calgary Legal Guidance, Student Legal Assistance, Calgary Drop-In & Rehabilitation Center, The Calgary Food Bank, Annual Project Homeless Connect, the University of Calgary Student Union Tribunal, The Mustard Seed, Bankers Hall Club Members Advisory Group, Legal Education Society of Alberta and the mentoring programs at the University of Calgary and Dalhousie University.

Doug has spoken at numerous seminars for the Canadian Securities Institute, Insight Information Co., University of Lethbridge and University of Calgary. Doug has also co-authored articles, including:

- "Piercing the Corporate Veil: A Canadian Overview and Risk Assessment", in Todd L. Archibald and Randall Scott Echlin, eds., Annual Review of Civil Litigation 2014.
- "The Doctrine of Public Policy in Canadian Contract Law", in Todd L. Archibald and Randall Scott Echlin, eds., Annual Review of Civil Litigation 2007. Toronto: Thomson Carswell, 2007, 1. as cited by the Supreme Court of Canada in *Tercon Contractors Ltd. v. British Columbia*, 2010 SCC 4 and *Uber Technologies Inc. v. Heller*, 2020 SCC 16.

## Awards & Rankings

### Chambers Canada

Leading Lawyer: Litigation: General Commercial - Alberta

### Benchmark Litigation Canada

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## Recent Experience

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## Recent Insights

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