

Stuart B. Hankinson Q.C.

Partner

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Stuart Hankinson, Q.C. is a Partner in the Construction and Infrastructure Practice Group at Singleton Urquhart Reynolds Vogel LLP. He has acted as counsel in many high profile and precedent-setting cases.

He has built a highly regarded practice that is today focused on the resolution of complex construction, commercial and insurance disputes. He has participated in many mediations as counsel and more recently as mediator. Stuart is an arbitrator and a sole Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB)/Dispute Resolution Board (DRB) member.

His clients include owners, developers, Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) and Engineering, Procurement, and Construction Management (EPCM) contractors, design-builders, insurers, construction and project managers, as well as the parties involved in public-private partnership (P3) projects.

Stuart has lectured for multiple organizations, including the Pacific Business & Law Institute, Canadian Institute, Insight Education Services, and Agenda Management Limited.

He is a Charter Fellow of the Canadian College of Construction Lawyers and is recognized as a leading lawyer by various legal publishers and rankings agencies, including *Chambers Global* (Arbitration), *Lexpert®*, *The Legal 500*, *Who's Who Legal*, and *Benchmark Canada*. He is a former Chairman of the Canadian Bar Association's Construction Law Section (British Columbia).

Prior to joining Singleton Reynolds, Stuart was a partner at a national law firm, and before that he was the founding principal and managing director of a leading British Columbia construction, insurance and business law firm.

RANKINGS + RECOGNITION

- Recognized in *Chambers Canada* — *Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business (Arbitration)*
- Ranked in the areas of Construction Law and Insurance Law by *Best Lawyers Canada®*.
- Recognized as a Leading Lawyer for Commercial Insurance in the *Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory*.
- Recognized in *Who's Who Legal* – Construction Law.
- Recommended, Infrastructure and Projects, *The Legal 500 Canada*.
- Most Frequently Recommended, Construction Law Repeatedly recommended, Commercial Arbitration, *The Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory*.
- Recognized in *Benchmark Canada* — The Definitive Guide to Canada's Leading Litigation Firms & Attorneys as a "Local Litigation Star: British Columbia" and a "Litigation Star: Construction".
- Recognized as one of Canada's leading Construction and Insurance Law lawyers by *Best Lawyers Canada®*.
- Recognized in the *Lexpert®/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada* (Construction Law).
- Recognized as one of Canada's leading Cross-Border Litigators, *Lexpert® Guide to the Leading U.S./Canada Cross-border Litigation Lawyers in Canada*.
- Recognized as a leading Infrastructure lawyer in Canada, *Lexpert®/Report on Business Special Edition – Canada's Leading Infrastructure Lawyers*.
- Recognized as a leading Litigation lawyer in Canada, *Lexpert®/Report on Business Special Edition – Canada's Leading Litigation Lawyers*.



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EDUCATION

- Called to the Alberta Bar, 1988
- Called to the British Columbia Bar, 1981
- Bachelor of Laws, Dalhousie University, 1980
- Bachelor of Science (Honors in Mathematics), Dalhousie University, 1977

- Recognized in *Who's Who Legal* as a National Leader in the area of Construction Law.
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EXPERIENCE

- Complex construction, commercial and insurance dispute resolution.
 - Mediator and arbitrator of complex construction, insurance and commercial disputes.
 - Regularly acts as a referee pursuant to complex construction contracts and as a sole Dispute Adjudication Board (DAB)/Dispute Resolution Board (DRB) member.
 - Counsel in landmark Canadian cases that established guidelines for witnesses providing expert testimony, and the content of written expert reports.
 - Provided critical litigation services during and after the construction and renovation of large Canadian sports stadiums.
 - Represented many participants in British Columbia's Leaky Condo crisis, including owners, contractors, sub-contractors, architects, and engineers, which impacted the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island.
 - Acted for Canadian and United States-based clients involved in large co-generation construction clean energy projects.
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PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, "[Construction Claims: Canadian courts' approach to a loss of productivity claims](#)," ReNew Canada, May, 2022
- Co-author, "[Who is responsible for ensuring the safety of a construction site?](#)," On-Site Magazine, December, 2021
- Quoted, "[Crisis and creativity in construction law conflict resolution](#)," Lexpert Reprint, August, 2021
- Co-author, "[The ins and outs of tendering: Fairness obligations in the absence of Contract A](#)," On-Site Magazine, June, 2021