

# DERMOT DEVINE



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## EDUCATION

**Continuing Legal Education Society BC**, April 2016  
• Law Society-Accredited Family Law Mediator.

**Called to the Bar of British Columbia**, February 2014  
• Called to the Bar after completing National Committee on Accreditation examinations.

**The Queen's University of Belfast**, Ireland, July 2010  
• Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) Upper Second-class Honours (magna cum laude equivalent).

**Illinois College**, Jacksonville IL, USA 2008 – 09  
• Business Education Initiative (selected to study law and business on full scholarship)  
• Other areas of emphasis: Economics, Political Science and French.

**Dalian University of Foreign Languages**, Dalian, China 2006 – 07  
• Two semesters conducted through Mandarin Chinese, focused on language and culture.  
• Courses included Chinese history, culture, HSK (Chinese exam preparatory course).

## HONOURS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- Access Pro Bono, Canadian Bar Association.
- Recipient of *Study USA* Scholarship.
- Debating Societies in QUB and Illinois College.

## LANGUAGES

- Irish, Mandarin Chinese, French (all intermediate)

## INTERESTS

- Languages
- Sport – member of Urban Rec soccer team, multiple marathon runner, snooker player (BC Open entrant)
- Travel –US, China, Myanmar, Turkey, Iceland.
- Music – traditional and folk music – play guitar.

## LEGAL CAREER

**Carraig Law Group LLP** 600 – 543 Granville Street, Vancouver  
Owner, Jan 2021 – Present

- Practice Areas – Insurance Defence, Family Law, Sports Law, Civil Litigation. Family Law Mediation.
- Supreme Court and Provincial Court Trials, Arbitrations, Mediations, Discoveries, Applications.

**Bekker York Barristers LLP** 203 – 1437 Kingsway, Vancouver  
Associate Lawyer, Jan 2020 – Present

- Practice Areas – Personal Injury Defence, Family Law, Civil Litigation.
- Appeals; Supreme Court Trials, Mediations, Discoveries, Applications

**Swadden & Company** 1401 – 808 Nelson St, Vancouver  
Associate Lawyer, Aug 2018 – Jan 2020

- Practice Areas – Personal Injury Defence, Family Law, Civil Litigation.
- Supreme Court Trials, Mediations, Discoveries, Applications.

**Grant Kovacs Norell** 400 – 900 Howe St, Vancouver  
Associate Lawyer, May 2017 – Aug 2018

- Practice Areas – Personal Injury Defence, Family Law, Civil Litigation
- Supreme Court Trials, Mediations, Discoveries, Applications.

**Foundation Law Corporation** 204 – 5740 Cambie St, Vancouver  
Associate Lawyer, April 2016 – May 2017

- Practice Areas – Family, Personal Injury, Civil Litigation (inc. Defamation/Animal Law) Family Law Mediation.
- Mediations, Discoveries, Applications.

**Kowarsky Ritson LLP** 1008 – 808 Nelson St, Vancouver  
Associate Lawyer, March 2014 – March 2016

- Insurance Defence, Family Law, Environmental Law, Collections, and Estate Litigation.
- Supreme Court Trials, Mediations, Discoveries, Applications.

**Robert Fleming Lawyers** 1925 – 925 West Georgia St, Vancouver  
Articled Student/ Legal Assistant, September 2011 – February 2014

- Practice Areas - Commercial Litigation; Franchise Disputes; IP Law; Collections.
- Arbitrations, Discoveries, Applications

## VOLUNTEER WORK/INTERNSHIPS

**Big Brothers of Greater Vancouver**  
• Volunteer big brother.

**Poverty Law Advocacy Program**, Powell River, BC, February 2011 – March 2011  
• Helped clients to complete PWD applications after typing up reports on their condition.

**East Belfast Independent Advice Centre**, Belfast, Ireland, October 2009 – June 2010  
• Advised on immigration, family, employment, and benefit/consumer issues.

**Rammelkamp Bradney Attorneys-at-Law**, Jacksonville IL, USA, January 2009 – June 2009  
• research and hearing preparation.