

ROBERT WICKETT Q.C.

Robert ("Bob") Wickett was called to the BC bar in 1984. From 1988-1993 Bob practiced with Russell & DuMoulin (now Fasken Martineau LLP) when he moved to MacKenzie Fujisawa LLP where he is now a senior partner, former member of its management committee and former two term managing partner.

Bob's litigation practice has been primarily in the field of commercial litigation with an emphasis on environmental, administrative, commercial leasing and commercial real estate matters. He has conducted numerous trials and appeals, not only in his preferred practice areas but also in personal injury, criminal, employment, First Nations and corporate matters.

Bob has substantial experience as an adjudicator having served as a member of the Environmental Appeal Board and Forest Appeals Commission of British Columbia since November 2003 and a member of the Oil and Gas Appeals Tribunal of British Columbia since its inception in October of 2010. Bob is currently a vice chair of the Environmental Appeal Board and of the Forest Appeals Commission. In this capacity he has chaired numerous panels and written reasons for judgment on a wide variety of matters.

Bob also acts as a private arbitrator in the areas of commercial law. He has heard and decided numerous commercial arbitrations dealing with a wide variety of subject. Bob is a roster panelist with the Vancouver International Arbitration Centre and a member of the ADR Institute of British Columbia.

Bob was an original author of the waste management chapter of the Due Diligence Deskbook first published in 1994 and he has edited that chapter each year since then. Bob has also authored several papers and spoken at a number of CLE seminars on the subjects of environmental law and commercial leasing.

In 2013 Bob was appointed Queen's Counsel.

Bob coached youth soccer and baseball for, in sum, 15 years. He was until 2015 on the executive of the Vancouver Minor Baseball Association, serving as a division director, chair of its discipline committee and director of umpires. He has received his NCCP regional coach qualification and has been the head coach of several youth spring and summer all star baseball teams. In his capacity as chair of the discipline committee of Vancouver Minor Baseball he adjudicated a number of disputes relating to alleged cheating and ethics violations.

Bob also qualified as an umpire with the BC Baseball Umpires Association and was active in umpiring youth and men's baseball until the commencement of the pandemic in 2020.