

Kerry A. Short

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Kerry has been senior counsel, a mediator and arbitrator for many years. Called to the bar in 1983, he started his practice in litigation with a large Vancouver law firm. After 14 years, Kerry launched a small boutique firm that was modelled after his sensible approach to dispute resolution. While continuing his focus on engineering and construction, his practice also included intellectual property, environmental and personal injury. Early on, Kerry's focus was on timely preparation and strategic efforts at resolution, which led to his unrivalled reputation for reasonableness and fairness, leading to economic results for clients.

Starting a law firm and guiding it to success and growth for 22 years has honed Kerry's skills and understanding of the business side of professional practice. Today, Kerry is dedicated to assisting parties in working towards the resolution of their disputes through mediation. He has been developing and working on his skills in mediation over the past 36 years as counsel and 10 years as a mediator. If arbitration is the path being taken Kerry is prepared to accept appointments as arbitrator and is prepared to apply his energy and skills to your dispute, whether that arises in a construction, engineering or other commercial context.

ADR RELATED AFFILIATIONS, ACTIVITIES & RECOGNITION

- Fellow of the Canadian College of Construction Lawyers
- Panel member of British Columbia International Commercial Arbitration Centre
- Construction dispute Referee Panel Member (major infrastructure projects in B.C. – ongoing)
- Training through CLE Mediation courses
- Pepperdine University (Strauss Institute for Dispute Resolution (Mediating the Litigated Case)
- Recognized by Lexpert in professional negligence and construction practice areas
- Recognized in Best Lawyers in Canada for construction and insurance law since 2009.
- 2020 “Lawyer of the Year” in Construction Law in Vancouver

EDUCATION

- Bachelor of Arts, University of Victoria 1979
- Bachelor of Law, University of British Columbia 1982
- Called to the Bar of British Columbia 1983