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Practice Areas

Personal Injury
Estate Litigation
Commercial and Real Property
Litigation

Bar Admission

British Columbia, 1988

Languages

English

DAVID W. HAY, K.C., PARTNER

David is a senior litigation lawyer whose preferred areas of practice are serious personal injury, estate litigation, and commercial litigation. He has worked on a wide range of medical-legal, insurance and commercial litigation matters and has appeared at all levels of the British Columbia Courts. David also has extensive experience in mediations and trials.

David is well known for his cycling advocacy work and is regularly consulted by injured cyclists, cycling advocacy groups, private and non-private organizations, and various media outlets on issues affecting the cycling population in B.C. He has also been consulted by a variety of government and non-government stakeholders on urban planning and management relating to the safety and security of cyclists. David is leading the Road Safety Reform group whose purpose is to amend the Motor Vehicle Act to make it more applicable and safer for vulnerable road users. He has the experience and temperament to distill complex family and estate matters in order to effectively advocate for his clients.

REPRESENTATIVE CLIENT WORK

He has dedicated a large part of his professional life to helping people in difficult circumstances. In his work as president of the Canadian Bar Association's (BC) Benevolent Society, he raises and distributes funds to fallen colleagues and their families. As past chair of Pain BC, he worked to improve the lives of British Columbians who live with chronic pain. As a member and former Executive and Governor of the Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia, David strives to empower and protect the legal rights of the individual.

David is a partner in the Litigation Group at Richards Buell Sutton. He articulated and practiced at a large downtown law firm before joining RBS as an associate in 1991, and partner in 2000. "Partnership is rewarding. It's one of my proudest achievements because I enjoy my partners and have tremendous regard for them. Unlike many organizations, we are not driven by our individual egos but by a collective desire to serve our clients and balance our working lives. The nice thing about the firm is that



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we're small enough to be personable but large enough to be effective for our clients."

David was appointed King's counsel in 2015, an honour reserved for less than 4% of lawyers in B.C.

David provides legal services through David W. Hay Law Corporation.

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

An incorrigible rocker and recording artist, David sings, writes and performs songs and has won the Vancouver, Nanaimo, and Victoria Battles of the Bar Bands.

David co-produced and directed The Paisley Snail, an educational docudrama on the law of negligence which has been distributed to High schools and Universities throughout the world.

He performs and raises money annually for the CBA (BC) Benevolent Society, and Families for Children – a non profit organization that supports children and young adults by providing housing, education, medical care and vocational training.

HONOURS & AWARDS

David was voted "Best Bike Lawyer" by The Georgia Straight's Best of Vancouver Reader's Choice Awards in both 2018, 2019 and 2021.

He has also been recognized by Best Lawyers® in the area of Personal Injury Litigation for the 2020 – 2025 editions. Inclusion in this publication is based entirely on peer-review.



PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

President, CBA (BC) Benevolent Society

Past Chair, Pain BC

Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia (former Board of Governors)

Law Society of British Columbia
 Canadian Bar Association (CBA)
 HUB Cycling
 BC Cycling Coalition
 Honorary Member of the UBC Law Class of '62

NEWS

August 25, 2022

Ten Lawyers Honoured in the 17th Edition of The Best Lawyers in Canada Publication

April 7, 2022

Bike Lawyer, David Hay K.C., Interviewed by CBC News

March 22, 2022

David Hay K.C. Quoted in Vancouver Sun

November 16, 2021

David Hay K.C. Voted Vancouver's Best Bike Lawyer for 2021

September 13, 2021

Vote for RBS' Personal Injury Team for Best Lawyer When Accident Strikes!

September 2, 2021

Vote for David Hay, K.C. for Best Bike Lawyer!

August 14, 2021

Bike Lawyer, David Hay K.C., Interviewed by CKNW's John Daly

March 3, 2021

Bike Lawyer, David Hay K.C., Comments on SCBC's Ruling of the Civil Resolution Tribunal Act

August 27, 2020

10 Lawyers Recognized in *The Best Lawyers™ in Canada* 2021 Publication

June 9, 2020

David Hay K.C. Interviewed by CBC News

October 3, 2019

David Hay Voted Vancouver's Best Bike Lawyer (Again)

August 27, 2019

Fostering Our Partnership with HUB Cycling

August 21, 2019

9 Partners Recognized in *The Best Lawyers™ in Canada* 2020

July 4, 2019

Bike Lawyer, David Hay K.C., interviewed on CBC's On The Coast

June 28, 2019

Cast your votes for Richards Buell Sutton LLP, and for David Hay, K.C. in The Georgia Straight's Best of Vancouver 2019 Reader's Choice Awards!

October 19, 2018

Recently Voted as Best Bike Lawyer by the Georgia Straight, David Hay, K.C., Quoted in the Voter's Voice

March 9, 2018

Modernization of Motor Vehicle Act Approved by City Councils of Victoria and New Westminster

March 6, 2018

David Hay, K.C., Spotlighted as a Transportation Cycling Leader

December 6, 2017

Victoria City Council endorse the Road Safety Law Reform Group initiatives

December 4, 2017

Bike Lawyer, David Hay, K.C., interviewed on CFX 1070 Radio

November 30, 2017

Times Colonist highlights changes to the Motor Vehicle Act

October 24, 2017

Bike Lawyer, David Hay, K.C., interviewed on Co-Op Radio

October 23, 2017

David Hay, K.C., Spotlighted in Nanaimo News

October 18, 2017

Bike Lawyer, David Hay, K.C. quoted in Daily Hive

October 17, 2017

Bike Lawyer, David Hay, K.C., Quoted in HUB Media Release

October 2, 2017

Members of Personal Injury Team Participate in HUB's Bike Fashion Show

September 12, 2017

David Hay, Q.C. Quoted in HUB's September Newsletter

June 26, 2017

David Hay, Q.C., Featured on Global News

June 19, 2017

David Hay, Q.C. quoted in CBC News

May 18, 2017

RBS Kick-starts HUB's Bike to Work Week by Participating in the Rush Hour Challenge

April 26, 2017

RBS supports “Distracted Driving Kills” Campaign

April 13, 2017

Bike Lawyer, David Hay, Q.C., Interviewed on CBC Radio

February 20, 2017

David Hay, Q.C. Interviewed on 100.5 FM Radio

February 3, 2017

Cyclist Safety and Motor Vehicle Act Reform

September 30, 2016

David Hay, Q.C., referenced in CBABC’s recent publication of BarTalk

July 18, 2016

David Hay, Q.C., attends Queen’s Counsel Induction Ceremony

January 7, 2016

RBS climbs to five Queen’s Counsel lawyers

December 22, 2015

David Hay appointed Queen’s Counsel

October 14, 2015

Bike Lawyer, David Hay, is interviewed on CBC Vancouver News

September 4, 2015

RBS is the sponsor of Pro Bono Students Canada’s Rock Out Event

June 28, 2015

RBS are proud sponsors of the Pain BC Scotiabank Charity Challenge

March 19, 2015

David Hay interviewed by Vancouver Sun and CBC

November 13, 2014

Global BC interviewed RBS bike lawyer David Hay

October 20, 2014

David Hay presents at the 2014 Bike Sense Review Workshop

October 9, 2014

David Hay interviewed on CBC on cycling litigation and pedestrians

October 9, 2014

David Hay published in BarTalk

September 28, 2014

RBS is a sponsor of the 2014 East Van Crown

September 5, 2014

David Hay is quoted in The Province

August 7, 2014

Reflections on the Paisley Snail

June 13, 2014

David Hay and House Arrest Wins the Vancouver 2014 Battle of the Bar Bands

June 10, 2014

David Hay to perform at the Battle of the Bar Bands event

March 26, 2014

David Hay, Partner at RBS, featured in the BCCC WeCycle March 2014 Issue

September 1, 2013

David Hay appointed President of the CBA (BC) Benevolent Society

February 26, 2013

David Hay, partner at RBS, to accept the 'Lawyers Helping Lawyers' award

October 15, 2012

Bike Lawyer David Hay quoted in Outside Magazine

June 24, 2012

Bike Lawyer David Hay quoted in the Victoria Times Colonist

May 22, 2012

Bike Lawyer, David Hay, quoted in this week's Business In Vancouver

May 16, 2012

David Hay participates in News1130 broadcast

March 30, 2012

David Hay, Vancouver's Bike Lawyer, quoted on OpenFile

October 30, 2011

David Hay, partner with RBS, and his band raise money for diabetes research

August 17, 2011

Vancouver's Bike Lawyer - David Hay - quoted in The Province Newspaper

August 12, 2011

David Hay, Vancouver's Bike Lawyer and RBS Partner, quoted on CBC News

EVENTS

June 13, 2024

Lead Vocalist David Hay K.C. and House Arrest Awarded Silver Trophy at Annual Battle of the Bar Bands

July 10, 2023

Register for a Complimentary Webinar on July 13, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

June 9, 2023

David Hay K.C. Rocks Out at Award-Winning Performance at CBABC's Battle of the



Bar Bands

June 1, 2022

Register for Bike Lawyer David Hay K.C.'s Webinar on Cycling Insurance & Liability

June 2, 2021

David Hay K.C. Presents at HUB Cycling's City Cycling Webinar

October 7, 2020

RBS a Premier Sponsor of HUB Cycling's Fall Bike to Work Week

November 28, 2019

David Hay K.C. Presents at Cycle City Vancouver's Winter Event Series

September 9, 2019

RBS Participates in HUB Cycling's Bike The Night Event

June 21, 2019

RBS' Personal Injury Group attend BC Active Transportation Summit

May 22, 2019

RBS participates in HUB Cycling's Annual Rush Hour Challenge

May 13, 2019

RBS Gears Up for HUB Cycling's Spring Bike to Work Week

March 1, 2019

RBS Personal Injury Lawyers David Hay, K.C and Michelle Quinn attend HUB Cycling's 6th Annual Bike Awards Ceremony

September 17, 2018

4000+ participate in HUB Cycling's Bike the Night; BC's largest RBS sponsored night ride

September 6, 2018

HUB Cycling's Bike the Night

June 1, 2018

Gear Up for HUB Cycling's Spring Bike to Work Week

February 23, 2018

David Hay, K.C. to perform at the famed Commodore Ballroom for 12th Annual Rock for Dimes Vancouver!

February 22, 2018

Our Continued Support of HUB Cycling's Bike Awards

December 1, 2017

RBS sponsors HUB Cycling and BEST's Annual Holiday Event

November 3, 2017

HUB's Bike Shorts Film Event and Fundraiser



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June 7, 2017

Members of RBS' Personal Injury Team Present at Upcoming CLEBC Conference

May 1, 2017

RBS and Bike Lawyer, David Hay, Q.C., proud to sponsor Bike to Work Week

March 28, 2017

David Hay, Q.C. presents on "But Injuries Happen"

December 2, 2016

RBS Sponsors HUB and BEST Annual Holiday Party

November 21, 2016

David Hay at Night Out with Pain BC

June 15, 2016

BEST founding member, David Hay, Q.C., discusses cycling and the law

June 10, 2016

President of the Benevolent Society, David Hay, Q.C., places first for total monies raised for CBABC's Battle of the Bar Bands

December 15, 2014

HUB+Best Winter Open House

October 27, 2014

HUB Fall Bike to Work Week

PUBLICATIONS

September 27, 2022

David Hay K.C. A Contributor to the 7th Edition of Bike Sense

November 1, 2013

David Hay, of RBS, writes for The Lawyers Weekly

January 1, 2013

Please Release Me

September 1, 2012

Reverse Onus Of Proof

August 1, 2012

David Hay's Top Ten List of Do's and Don'ts Following a Traffic Accident

July 3, 2012

The Great Helmet Law Debate

July 3, 2012

David Hay, Bike Lawyer at RBS, writes for the Vancouver Sun

April 1, 2012

Controlling Uncontrolled Intersections

February 1, 2012

De Facto Fiasco

January 1, 2012

A Legal Moment – Breaking the Rules

August 17, 2011

The Helmet Law and the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms

March 15, 2011

“Ordinarily Resident”

January 1, 2011

“Hurt” – Proving Causation in Chronic Pain Cases

October 29, 2010

Upgrade the Legislation

September 15, 2010

The Squeeze

July 1, 2010

Keep a Lid On It: Mandatory Helmet Legislation Revisited

May 10, 2010

Neither Here Nor There

March 16, 2010

Keeping Abreast of Reality

January 21, 2010

The Limitation Act – A Ticking Time Bomb

November 10, 2009

Door Prize – Past, Present, Future

August 4, 2009

The Case for Representation

May 25, 2009

Speed – Words, Numbers and Relativity

May 6, 2009

Designated Bike Routes: Unfinished Business

April 6, 2009

Ride for Access to Justice

January 27, 2009

No Fault Insurance Schemes – Cycling’s Kryptonite

April 7, 2008



Lawyers Bike to Work for Access Justice

February 4, 2008

The Big Picture

November 22, 2007

Forget the Witness, Somebody Give Me a Buffer

April 26, 2007

Inferential Treatment

March 14, 2007

Principles, Parking Lots and Paradise

February 13, 2007

Cover Me

February 13, 2007

The Wild Game of Occupiers Liability

January 19, 2007

The Urbane Cyclist, Is It Safe?

November 17, 2006

That was no Accident

July 13, 2006

On Your Way



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