



## **OLA N. STOKLOSA, ASSOCIATE**

Ola Stoklosa practices family law and general civil litigation. She has appeared at all levels of BC Court and has a wide range of experience in negotiating out-of-court settlements for her clients.

Ola has appeared in court regularly since the first day she was called to the bar. She has been involved in numerous disputes in BC Provincial Court, the Supreme Court of BC and the BC Court of Appeal. She strives to achieve out-of-court settlements where possible, and is skilled at preparing settlement proposals and negotiating settlements at mediations and settlement conferences.

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### **Practice Areas**

Family

Insurance

Personal Injury

### **Bar Admission**

2015, British Columbia

### **Education**

2010, B.A., Simon Fraser  
University

2013, J.D., University of Victoria

### **REPRESENTATIVE CLIENT WORK**

#### **Civil Litigation**

Ola has a broad civil litigation practice and she is experienced in insurance defence, commercial litigation and contract disputes. Her experience includes:

- Defending private insurers from personal injury claims;
- Negotiating settlements between corporate parties and between former business partners;
- Obtaining a Mareva Injunction (asset freeze) against an alleged fraudster of her client;
- Successfully setting aside a default judgment; and
- Obtaining a finding of vicarious liability against a store for its employee's tortious conduct.

#### **Personal Injury**

Ola's personal injury practice has involved work for both injured parties and insurers and includes claims arising from motor vehicle and/or bicycle accidents, assaults and product liability. She handles litigation involving individuals who have been seriously injured, including those with brain injuries, psychological and psychiatric injuries and chronic pain. She regularly negotiates settlements and values compensation for pain



and suffering and income loss issues.

### **Family Law**

Ola is well-versed in family law issues, including asset division, support, parenting issues and the enforcement of orders. She has prepared countless cohabitation and marriage agreements. She frequently negotiates separation agreements and consent orders, and has also acted as counsel in a number of family law trials.

Her experience includes:

- Negotiating a parenting agreement in the face of a party's relocation to another country;
- Successfully arguing against a jurisdictional dispute resulting in a negotiated division of family property;
- Having child and spousal support reviewed where a court order did not reflect actual income earned in one case, and where a court order did not reflect actual net corporate income available for support purposes in another case;
- Obtaining a finding of contempt and special costs against the former spouse of her client: *Buckland v. Buckland*, 2019 BCSC 1023;
- Acting as counsel on a matter in which an attack on a separation agreement by the former spouse of her client was dismissed by the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal: *Reid v. Reid*, 2014 BCSC 1691, 2017 BCCA 73
- Acting as counsel on a matter in which her client was awarded double costs: *Reid v. Reid*, 2015 BCSC 889
- Acting as counsel in defending against the appeal of an arbitration award by her client's former spouse in the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal: *McMillan v. McMillan*, 2015 BCSC 2177, 2016 BCCA 441

### **PUBLICATIONS AND SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS**

- Author, Part 5 Property Division, Annotated Family Practice 2020-2021
- Speaker, "The Definition of a 'Spouse' and Excluded Property Issues in Family Law," Investment Advisors' Meeting, 2019
- Author, Part 5 Property Division, Annotated Family Practice 2019-2020
- Speaker, "The Definition of a 'Spouse' and Excluded Property Issues in Family Law," Investment Advisors' Meeting, 2018
- Author, "Medical Marijuana Damages: Will They Run High?" 2018

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

Member, Law Society of British Columbia

Member, Canadian Bar Association, BC Branch (Civil Litigation, Family and Young Lawyers subsections)

Member at Large, Civil Litigation Subsection Executive, Canadian Bar Association - BC Branch (September 2018 to August 2019)

Secretary, Civil Litigation Subsection Executive, Canadian Bar Association - BC Branch (August 2019 - present)

Member at Large, Young Lawyers Subsection Executive, Canadian Bar Association - BC Branch (September 2018 to present)

Member, Vancouver Bar Association

## **NEWS**

August 27, 2019

Fostering Our Partnership with HUB Cycling

June 28, 2019

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

November 19, 2018

Rhys Volkenant hones his business development skills

## **EVENTS**

October 7, 2020

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

June 24, 2020

Ola N. Stoklosa Presents to Canadian Bar Association Members on COVID-19 and the Courts

October 17, 2019

Gear Up for HUB Cycling's Fall Bike To Work Week Campaign

October 16, 2019

RBS Sponsors Rock The Pacific Fundraiser

June 21, 2019

RBS' Personal Injury Group attend BC Active Transportation Summit

June 18, 2019

RBS Supports HUB Cycling's Fundraising Afternoon Tea Event

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

## **PUBLICATIONS**

December 18, 2020

Insurance Act Appraisals - A Court's Guide on Mechanics

January 22, 2020

Covenants to Insure: A Beneficiary's Fireproof Protection from Liability



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