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PRACTICE AREAS

Commercial Litigation • Construction • Environmental • Banking & Finance
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BIOGRAPHY

Charles Whelly, QC, is Counsel and works from the Saint John office of Cox & Palmer. He was called to the New Brunswick Bar in 1978 after completing his education at the University of New Brunswick. Charles was appointed the designation of Queen's Counsel in 1998. He provides litigation counsel in a broad range of cases, usually involving commercial, planning, environmental, construction or professional issues.

INDUSTRY RECOGNITION & AWARDS

- Recognized as a Best Lawyers 2014 Lawyer of the Year in the area of Corporate and Commercial Litigation.
- Consistently recognized in the Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory as a leading practitioner in Commercial Insurance Litigation, Directors' & Officers' Liability Litigation, and Professional Liability.
- Listed as a leading practitioner by the publication The Best Lawyers in Canada since 2006 for his practice in the areas of Corporate and Commercial Litigation and Bet-the-Company Litigation.
- Appointed a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers in 2008, one of the premier legal associations in America.
- Martindale-Hubbell Ratings: AV
- Recognized by Benchmark Litigation as a preeminent litigation practitioner in Canada in the areas of Construction, Environmental, General Commercial, Insolvency, Insurance, Labor and Employment
- Best Lawyers' 2019 Saint John Corporate and Commercial Litigation Lawyer of the Year

LANGUAGES

- English

LAW SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

- Canadian Bar Association
- Law Society of New Brunswick
- Saint John Law Society

BAR ADMISSION

- New Brunswick (1978)

LAW SCHOOL

- University of New Brunswick

EDUCATION

- University of New Brunswick (LL.B. 1978)
- University of New Brunswick (B.B.A. 1975)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & AFFILIATIONS

- Member – RBC Life Insurance Company, Board of Directors (1998 – Present)
- Member – RBC General Insurance Company, Board of Directors (2004 – Present)
- Member – RBC Insurance Company of Canada, Board of Directors (2004 – Present)
- Honourary Consul of the Netherlands for N.B. & P.E.I (1988-2003)
- Canadian Bar Insurance Association – Board of Directors (1985-1995); Member of Management Board (1987-1995); Vice-President and Treasurer (1989-1991); Acting President (1990-1991); President (1991-1993); Past President (1993-1995)
- Canadian Lawyers Insurance Association – Advisory Board (1988 –), Treasurer (1994–2000); Executive & Finance Committee (1994 – Present); Vice-Chair (2000-2006); Chair (2006 – Present). [CLIA is an insurance reciprocal that provides errors and omissions coverage to lawyers throughout Canada]
- Board of Directors – Chancery Reinsurance Limited (1992-1997)