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PRACTICE AREAS

Administrative • Alternative Dispute Resolution • Commercial Litigation • Estate Litigation
• Construction • Corporate & Commercial • Environmental • Banking & Finance
• Insurance Litigation • Intellectual Property & Technology • Employment & Labour • Municipal
• Tax • Restructuring & Insolvency • Regulated Professions

BIOGRAPHY

A senior partner of Cox & Palmer's office located in Charlottetown, P.E.I., David's major area of practice is in civil litigation and public law. He has extensive experience in a broad range of major civil disputes including corporate, commercial, construction, professional malpractice, labour and employment, human rights, land use and environment, and in municipal cases where he has acted for both Plaintiffs and Defendants. David has also had considerable practical experience with PEI's Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPP) as well as the federal ATIP legislation in both advisory and civil litigation contexts.

Having completed the UPEI Conflict Resolution Center Program for a Certified Mediator, David has gained extensive experience with Alternative Dispute Resolution (ADR) in a broad range of contexts including labour-management/employment law mediations, conciliations, rights and interest arbitrations; mediation/arbitration of legal disputes in the construction and commercial sectors; and in facilitations.

Also, David has a personal and professional interest in estate and succession planning for individuals and for family businesses.

INDUSTRY RECOGNITION & AWARDS

- Canadian Bar Association Distinguished Service Award – 2006
- Consistently recognized in the Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory as a leading practitioner in Corporate Commercial (including Litigation), Director/Officer's Liability Litigation, and Property Development
- Listed as a leading practitioner by the publication The Best Lawyers in Canada for his practice in Municipal Law
- Recipient of the 2015 Vocational Service Award presented by the Rotary Club of Hillsborough.
- Recipient of the 2017 Canada 150 Senate Award for Community Service

LANGUAGES

- English

LAW SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

- Canadian Bar Association
- Law Society of Prince Edward Island
- Nova Scotia Barristers' Society

BAR ADMISSION

- Prince Edward Island (1975)
- Nova Scotia (1975)

LAW SCHOOL

- Dalhousie University

EDUCATION

- Dalhousie University (LL.B. 1974 , Scholarships: G.O. Forsythe; Dr. S.N. Robertson; and Sir Alistair Fraser)
- B.A. (University of Prince Edward Island, 1974, First Class Distinction)
- College Militaire Royal de Saint Jean 1969 – Senior Matriculation
- UPEI Conflict Resolution Center – Certified Mediator

EXPERIENCE

- Involved in numerous major transactions involving purchase and sale of businesses, re-structurings, workouts; tax driven re-organizations; and public private partnering, etc.
- Has been general P.E.I. counsel on various banking and insolvency matters to Royal Bank of Canada, HSBC Bank Canada, Scotiabank, Credit Unions, and also to other financial institutions from time to time

PUBLICATIONS

- PEI Municipalities: Preparing for Cannabis Legalization

LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

- Course Instructor – Prince Edward Island Law Society Bar Admission Course

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & AFFILIATIONS

- Past National Chair, Canadian Bar Association, Young Lawyers Division
- Past National Chair, Canadian Bar Association, Law Practice Management & Technology Section
- Past President, PEI Branch -Canadian Bar Association
- Past Member, PEI Supreme Court Rules Committee
- Member, PEI Access to Justice Task Force (2001-2002)
- Course Instructor, PEI Law Society Bar Admission Course
- Member, PEI Law Society / Past Member, PEI Supreme Court Bench & Bar Committee
- Vice Chair, WCAT

ACTIVITIES WITHIN FIRM

- Past Managing Partner, Regional Firm and PEI
- Past Regional Chair, Construction Practice Group

COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Past President, Greater Charlottetown Area Chamber of Commerce
- Past President, Rotary Club of Charlottetown Royalty
- Past Treasurer, PEI Liberal Party
- Past Vice-Chairperson, Confederation Centre of the Arts
- Elder, Kirk of St. James Presbyterian Church
- Past Director Canadian Chamber of Commerce
- Past President – PEI Chambers of Commerce
- Past Chair -Greater Charlottetown Chamber of Commerce Dominion Bldg. Task Force
- Past Chair & current member – Board of Governors, Junior Achievement PEI Business Hall of Fame
- Past Chair -Atlantic Chambers of Commerce (ACC)
- Director -Chambers of Commerce Insurance Corporation
- Director -Atlantic Institute of Market Studies (AIMS)