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## PRACTICE AREAS

Insurance Litigation • Commercial Litigation • Environmental • Administrative  
• Regulated Professions

## BIOGRAPHY

Stephen May is a partner in the St. John's office of Cox & Palmer. He was admitted to the Newfoundland and Labrador Bar in 1988 after completing his education at the University of Ottawa.

Stephen's practice focuses on civil litigation with an emphasis on insurance. He has acted on behalf of a number of insurance companies that underwrite home, automobile, disability, and Errors & Omissions coverage in Newfoundland and Labrador.

Stephen has provided advice on policy drafting and interpretation as well as the handling of claims. He has counseled government, aboriginal groups and corporations on various constitutional issues, including aboriginal land claims.

## EXPERIENCE

Stephen has appeared before various administrative tribunals, all courts within Newfoundland and Labrador, the Tax Court of Canada, the Federal Court of Canada, and the Supreme Court of Canada.

## INDUSTRY RECOGNITION & AWARDS

- Consistently recognized in the Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory as a leading practitioner in Personal Injury and Commercial Insurance Litigation
- Recognized since 2012 in Benchmark Canada Guide as a leading practitioner in Civil Litigation and Insurance
- Listed as a leading practitioner since 2013 by the publication Best Lawyers in Canada in the areas of Insurance Law and Personal Injury Litigation
- Recognized by Benchmark Litigation as a preeminent litigation practitioner in Canada in the area of Insurance
- *Best Lawyers'* 2018 St. John's Insurance Lawyer of the Year

## LANGUAGES

- English

## LAW SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

- Canadian Bar Association
- Law Society of Newfoundland & Labrador

## **BAR ADMISSION**

- Newfoundland and Labrador (1988)

## **LAW SCHOOL**

- University of Ottawa

## **EDUCATION**

- Carleton University (B.A. 1983)
- University of Ottawa (LL.B. 1987)

## **LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS**

- “Advocacy in the Discovery Process”, Newfoundland and Labrador Bar Admission Course
- “Per Quod Servitium Amisit and Employers’ Rights of Recovery: A Changing Approach”, Newfoundland and Labrador Civil Litigation Sub-section, Canadian Bar Association
- Frequent speaker on insurance related topics

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & AFFILIATIONS**

- Member, Electoral Advisory Committee to the Chief Electoral Office of Newfoundland and Labrador
- Member, Newfoundland and Labrador Law Society Insurance Committee
- Past Chair, Advisory Board, Canadian Lawyers Insurance Association