

## Brad Armstrong, QC

Brad has extensive experience in civil litigation, aboriginal law, administrative and constitutional law, and environmental law. He represents clients involved with land use issues, project development, regulatory approvals, environmental assessments, First Nations consultation, and litigation, in a range of natural resource industries including mining, forestry, agriculture, aquaculture, energy, independent power projects, oil and gas, and transportation. His practice extends through Western Canada and the North (including Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut).

Brad acts as counsel in court hearings and in public review hearings, in all levels of the British Columbia Courts and the Federal Courts, and before federal, provincial and territorial boards, panels and commissions.

Brad also has extensive experience in corporate and commercial litigation, injunctions, and environmental prosecutions, as well as competition law.

Brad was the firm's Managing Partner from 2000 through 2003.

### Recognition And Ranking

- *Chambers Global*: recognized in the categories:
  - Aboriginal Law (Canada)
  - Environmental (Canada)
- *Canadian Legal Expert Directory*:
  - consistently recognized as a Leading Practitioner for environmental law
  - repeatedly recommended as a Leading Practitioner for aboriginal law
- *Best Lawyers in Canada*: recognized for environmental law
- *Who's Who Legal Canada 2011*: recognized for environmental law
- *Practical Law Company Which Lawyer*: recommended for environmental law
- *Martindale-Hubbell International Law Directory*: BV Peer Review rated
- *2011 Lexpert Zenith Award*: recognized for Corporate and Law Firm Social Responsibility for his contributions to Family Services of Greater Vancouver

### Professional Activities

- Canadian Bar Association, Member
- Canadian Bar Association, Administrative Law Section (BC Branch), Chair (1990-92)
- Canadian Bar Association, Constitutional Law Section (BC Branch), Co-Chair (1992-93)
- Elected Member of the Provincial Council of the B.C. branch of the Canadian Bar Association from 1999 through 2001
- Project Law Blog, Contributor



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#### Practices

- Aboriginal Law
- Administrative, Constitutional and Public Law
- Climate Change
- Competition
- Environmental
- Environmental Prosecutions
- Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Mining
- Project Permitting
- Regulatory Compliance

### Community Activities

- Chairman, St. George's School Foundation, 1990 to 1992 (Director, 1988 to 1992)
- Chairman and President of Family Services of Greater Vancouver Society, 2004 to 2006 (Director, 1998 to 2007)
- Member of the Economic Development Committee of the British Columbia Business Council

### Bar Admissions

- British Columbia (1981)
- Northwest Territories (1998)
- Nunavut (1999)
- Yukon Territory (2006)

### Education

- University of British Columbia (B.A., 1976)
- London School of Economics and Political Science (M.Sc., 1977)
- McGill University (LL.B., 1980)

### Experience

- Represented a major diamond mining company in environmental assessment and project approval in the Northwest Territories
- Advised government agencies in connection with the regulatory review process for hydroelectric projects in Nunavut
- Represented a major marine transportation agency in Federal Court proceedings involving aboriginal and environmental issues
- Represented a major industrial company in an extensive public environmental review of a hydroelectric project
- Represented a mining company in Federal Court proceedings respecting federal environmental assessment compliance
- Represented various industrial corporations in defending charges under environmental laws and regulations
- Represented a mining company in environmental assessment and project approval in Nunavut
- Represented various resource and industrial companies, and governments, in litigation involving First Nations, aboriginal law, treaty law and constitutional law
- Represented various natural resource companies in obtaining injunctions to prohibit interference with project development and activities
- Represented corporate and shareholder interests in litigation concerning contractual issues, amalgamations and arrangements, take-over bids, proxy materials and oppression remedies
- Represented various businesses in litigation and compliance issues relating to the *Competition Act*

### Conferences

- "Environmental Assessment Process", Environmental Law: Managing Risk, (November 18, 2011)
- "The Duty to Consult in the Context of a Modern Treaty (A Summary of the Supreme Court of Canada decision in the case of *Beckman v. Little Salmon/Carmacks First Nation*, 2010 SCC 53)" and "The Latest Environmental Regulations and Cases Impacting Consultati, (February 23-24, 2011)



- 2nd Annual Northeast BC Natural Gas Summit, (September 29, 2010)
- "Canadian Environmental Assessment Act", The National 2010 Environmental, Energy and Resources Law Summit: A New Environment - 2010 and Beyond, Canadian Bar Association, Montreal, QC, ((April 16-17, 2010))
- "BC Legal Issues Workshop - Developing Resources in BC", Northeast BC Natural Gas Summit on Maximizing Oil & Gas Development Opportunities in Northeast BC, Insight Information, (September 30-October 1, 2009)
- Northeast BC Natural Gas Summit, (September 30, 2009)
- "Jurisdiction: Various Issues", (February 5, 2009)
- 2nd Annual Environmental Law & Regulation North of 60°, (November 13, 2008)
- "First Nations and the Environment; Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Air Quality Standards; and Environmental Monitoring", (May 15-16, 2008)
- "Project Challenges, Blockades and Injunctions", (March 13, 2008)
- "Legal Issues and Risks in the Project Review Process", (May 30, 2007)
- 2nd Annual Western Canada Aboriginal Law Forum: Understanding the Changing Legal and Business Horizon, Insight Information, Vancouver, BC, (May 8-9, 2006)
- "Aboriginal Issues in the Forest Sector", (March 10-11, 2006)
- "Roles and Responsibilities for Industry and Federal/Provincial Regulators", (March 8, 2006)
- "Regulatory Approaches to Air Emissions: Practical Impacts", (February 8-9, 2006)

#### News / Publications

- Lawson Lundell Launches the Project Law Blog, (May 10, 2012)
- Project Law Bulletin: Environmental Assessment Streamlining Federal Government Initiatives, (April 20, 2012)
- Project Law Bulletin: Environmental Assessment – Improving the Process, (March 23, 2012)
- Lawson Lundell Recognized in Chambers Global 2012, (March 19, 2012)
- Lawson Lundell's Zenith Award Wins Recognized in Lexpert Magazine, (October 3, 2011)
- Lawson Lundell wins Lexpert Zenith Award for Corporate and Law Firm Social Responsibility, (September 22, 2011)
- Brad Armstrong, Q.C. and Heather Cane successful in Supreme Court of Canada Decision, (March 12, 2010)
- Jurisdiction: Various Issues, *Pacific Business & Law Institute Conference on Administrative Law: Key Concepts and Thorny Issues*, (July 21, 2009)
- Aboriginal Law Issues, (May 15-16, 2008)
- Permitting Issues in British Columbia and Alberta: Wind and Run-of-River Projects, *Insight Conference: British Columbia Power Summit (December 6-7, 2005)*, (June 2, 2006), co-written with Krista L. Hughes and Monica Balaski
- Consultation Requirements in the Post-Treaty Context, (November 1, 2005), Co-written with Keith B. Bergner
- Consultation Issues in the Context of the Oil and Gas Industry, ((April 25-26, 2005))
- The Environmental Review Process for Mines in British Columbia and Northern Canada, (April 14-15, 2005)
- Regulation of Greenhouse Gas Emissions: Implications for British Columbia Industry, (Updated to November 2004 – December 1-2, 2004)

