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Estate & Trust Litigation
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Disputes

Austin maintains a robust disputes practice with a particular focus on estates, trusts and commercial litigation.

In his estates and trusts practice, Austin handles probate litigation, rectification and wills variation claims, capacity issues, trust disputes and other matters.

In his commercial litigation practice, Austin acts for businesses involved in a wide range of disputes including civil litigation and arbitration, with an emphasis on creditor-side insolvency and foreclosure matters.

Austin is fluently bilingual and holds both common law and civil law degrees.

Prior to joining BLG, Austin worked in investigations and discipline at professional regulatory body in BC. During his third year of law school, he was a student law clerk at the Cour supérieure du Québec.

Insights & Events

- Author, "Ontario Court of Appeal allows social media defamation claim to proceed and awards costs against anti-SLAPP applicant", BLG Article, August 2026
- Author, "The U.S. tariff effect: Temporarily expanded work share and employment insurance measures introduced in Canada", BLG Article, April 2025

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Student Liaison Officer, Society of Estate and Trust Practitioners (STEP) Vancouver Branch

Community Involvement

- Volunteer, Carrefour de ressources en interculturel Montréal (CRIC), 2021-2022
- Volunteer, Legal Information Clinic at McGill, 2021

Bar Admission & Education

- British Columbia, 2025

- BCL/JD, McGill University, 2024
- BA (Hons.), McGill University, 2019

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