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Doug advises clients in a wide range of corporate commercial law matters, focusing on finding effective and practical solutions to their business matters.

Within his practice, Doug specializes in four main areas:

- corporate and commercial matters, broadly advising privately held businesses
- corporate governance, with a focus on co-operative associations and similarly constituted entities
- information technology, including the acquisition of computer systems and software and related services
- intellectual property, covering all areas of the creation, protection, exploitation (including licensing and franchising) and enforcement of trademarks, copyrights, patents, trade secrets and other intellectual property rights (excluding the preparation and prosecution of patent applications).

Doug is a member of the firm's [Environmental, Social and Governance \(ESG\)](#) initiative.

## Beyond Our Walls

### Professional Involvement

- Member, International Trademark Association

- Member, Intellectual Property Institute of Canada
- Member, Licensing Executives' Society; (past) Chair, Software Subcommittee
- Member, Institute of Corporate Directors

## Community Involvement

- Volunteer, BLG Reads to Kids
- Director, Transplant Research Foundation of British Columbia

## Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2024 edition (and since 2008) of *The Best Lawyers in Canada*® (Information Technology Law, Intellectual Property Law).
- Recognized in the 2023 and previous editions of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert*® Directory (Computer & IT Law, Intellectual Property, Mergers & Acquisitions, Technology Transactions). Also recognized in 2020, 2014 and 2013 or Computer & IT Law.
- Recognized in the 2023 edition (and since 2022) of *Lexpert Special Edition: Technology & Health Sciences*
- Recognized in the 2021 and 2020 edition of *Lexpert Special Edition: Technology*
- Recognized in the 2020 edition of *fLexpert Special Edition: Agribusiness and Cannabis*
- Recognized in the 2017 edition of the *Lexpert*® Guide to the Leading US/Canada Cross-Border Corporate Lawyers in Canada (Technology Transactions).
- Martindale-Hubbell® BV® Distinguished™ 4.4 out of 5 Peer Review Rated.

## Bar Admission & Education

- British Columbia, 1986
- LLB, University of British Columbia, 1985
- B.Comm. (Hons.), University of British Columbia, 1984

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