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Rob's clients value his ability to analytically assess a file and identify the most practical approach to reaching resolution. His in depth-understanding of both the insurance and construction industries provides him with knowledge and insight that is beneficial to his diverse litigation practice. Drawing on this experience enables Rob to effectively advocate on behalf of his clients both in and outside of the courthouse. He is a proponent of utilizing various forms of alternative dispute resolution, including Judicial Dispute Resolution and Arbitration, in order to obtain timely and cost-effective resolutions.

Rob has significant experience representing a number of national and international insurers with respect to casualty, property and professional liability claims and has an excellent understanding of the “nuts and bolts” of property losses involving design and construction issues. He has appeared on behalf of insurance clients in all levels of court in Alberta, as well as in the provinces of Manitoba, British Columbia and in the Yukon.

Never one to shy away from a difficult case, Rob's practice touches on many aspects of litigation and he endeavors to solve litigation problems for his clients efficiently. In the area of construction litigation, Rob has acted for both large and small residential home builders as well as trades and home owners regarding a variety of construction disputes, including Builders' Lien matters. Rob has also represented engineers and architects with respect to professional liability claims involving various claims in negligence and contract.

Education:

- LL.B., University of Alberta
- B.A., University of Alberta (*Honours*)

EXPERIENCE

Insurance & Risk Management

- Represents several national and international insurers.
- Significant experience in defending personal injury claims, particularly multifactorial claims involving psychological and socioeconomic elements.
- Experience defending first party claims against insurers.
- Experience dealing with claims involving WCB issues.

Construction Litigation

- Represented a construction company in the construction of a municipal water pumping station.
- Represented a large Alberta residential home construction with respect to a variety of issues including construction delay claims, deficiency claims and contract disputes.
- Advised a builder with respect to both past event and prospective litigation problems.
- Represented a small, high-end custom home builder in a contractual dispute with a purchaser. This case required a firm grasp of specialized construction methods and procedures not normally found in large-scale residential home building.
- Has represented a number of residential home owners in litigation arising out of conveyancing, Builders' Liens, deficiencies and faulty construction.

Professional Liability

- Represented engineers and architects with respect to various claims in negligence and contract.
- Represented engineers in claims involving design of commercial buildings, oilfield machinery, and the design of specialized transportation equipment.
- Represented a poultry feed manufacturer with respect to a product liability issue involving poultry feed.

Commercial Litigation

- Has experience with contract actions, shareholders disputes, oppression claims and commercial tenancy disputes.