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Biography

With over 45 years of experience, Rob Purdy has brought outstanding legal expertise to Patterson Law in the areas of civil litigation and insurance law. He has represented clients at all levels of court in Nova Scotia and in the Supreme Court of Canada, including those in high-profile civil and criminal cases. He has tried numerous jury cases. He has participated as counsel in many mediations in cases involving insurance, personal injury, and commercial disputes. Rob has also served as both mediator and arbitrator.

Rob`s passion for law is demonstrated in the numerous lectures on personal injury and insurance law that he has given at insurance industry and Bar seminars. He has been recognized by The Best Lawyers™ in Canada for Insurance Law and Personal Injury Litigation since 2006 and has been named "Lawyer of the Year" in both practice areas. Rob has been named a "Local Litigation Star" in the Atlantics since 2013 by Benchmark Litigation Canada for his work in Personal Injury and Insurance Law, and as a leading practitioner in Lexpert's Canadian Legal Directory. Rob is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Experience

- Has significant experience in personal injury and insurance cases
- Has significant experience in jury cases, both civil and criminal
- Has appeared in all levels of court
- Has appeared before various Provincial boards and tribunals
- Has extensive mediation training and has acted as mediator in cases involving personal injury and insurance issues
- Has represented clients at numerous arbitrations and mediations

Recognition

- Appointed King`s Counsel, 1995
- Appointed Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers, 2018

Areas of Law

Arbitration and Mediation
Appeals and Judicial Review
Civil Litigation
Commercial Litigation
Health Law
Insurance Defence and
Subrogation
Personal Injury

- *Benchmark Canada: The Guide to Canada's Leading Litigation Firms and Attorneys*: recognized as a Litigation Star for Personal Injury and Insurance Law in The Atlantic
- *Best Lawyers in Canada*: Insurance Law "Lawyer of the Year" in Halifax for 2021
- *Best Lawyers in Canada*: Personal Injury Litigation "Lawyer of the Year" in Halifax for 2014 and 2020
- *Best Lawyers in Canada*: Recognized for Insurance Law and Personal Injury Litigation since 2006
- *Lexpert's Canadian Legal Directory*: recognized as leading practitioner in Corporate/Commercial Litigation, Directors and Officers Liability, Medical Malpractice (Plaintiff) and Personal Injury (Plaintiff)
- Martindale-Hubbell International Law Directory AV Preeminent® Peer Review

Associations and Memberships

- Nova Scotia Barristers' Society
- Canadian Bar Association
- Nova Scotia Bar Council 1995-1998
- Atlantic Advisory Committee of The Advocates' Society
- Past President, NS Medical-Legal Society
- Member, K.C. Appointments Advisory Committee
- Past member, NSBS Distinguished Service Award Committee
- Past member, Federal Advisory Committee on Judicial Appointments
- Past member, NSBS Subcommittee on Professional Fees
- Canadian Bar Association, NS Branch Council (2001-2009)
- Past Vice Chair, Discipline Subcommittee "A" for NSBS
- Past member, Supreme Court Liaison Subcommittee
- Past President, Colchester County Bar Association
- Chaired Subcommittee on Infant Settlement Approval procedure

Community Involvement

- Past National President, Dalhousie Law Alumni Association
- Past Chair of the Executive Council and Chair of the Board of Stewards of St. Andrew's United Church, Truro
- Past Chair and long term Board member of the Colchester YMCA
- Past President and long term member of the Truro-Bill Hill Liberal Association
- Past Secretary/Treasurer of the Cumberland-Colchester Liberal Association.

Publications and Speaking Engagements

- Personal Injury and Insurance law lectures at various insurance industry and Bar seminars
- Preparation of Insurance Law materials for the Bar Admission Course

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Education and Bar Admissions

- Bar Admission: Nova Scotia, 1976
- LL.B. (Dalhousie University, 1976)
- B.A. with Honours (Dalhousie University, 1974)