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# Aidan Paul Associate

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Aidan maintains a general litigation practice with a focus on commercial and energy disputes, injunctions, class actions, administrative law, defence procurement, and constitutional law.

He has appeared before all levels of court in Alberta, the Federal Court of Canada, and the Supreme Court of Canada. He has also run trials before the British Columbia Provincial Court and Manitoba Court of King's Bench.

Aidan was on the Dean's List throughout law school and graduated with distinction from the University of Alberta in 2021. He received various awards during law school, including the Mandy MacLeod Prize for Excellence in Mooting, the Joseph Paul Bromlik Scholarship for Excellence in Advocacy, the Rhonda Zacharias Memorial Award, and the Criminal Trial Lawyers Award in Evidence.

While in law school, Aidan participated and placed in various moots, interned with the Court of Appeal of Alberta and the Office of the Judge Advocate General, and ran criminal trials as a dayleader with Student Legal Services.

Aidan summered and articled at BLG before joining the firm as an associate.

# Experience

• Obtained an *ex parte Mareva* injunction against a former employee of an international control systems supplier, and subsequently, judgment, punitive damages, and solicitor and own client costs.

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- Successfully defended an application for a *Mareva* injunction and various oppression related relief on behalf of various companies holding patents and/or licences with respect to sustainable building materials.
- PrairieSky Royalty Ltd v Yangarra Resources Ltd, 2025 ABCA 240 successfully defended an appeal related to whether a gross overriding royalty constituted an interest in land binding on a subsequent working interest holder.
- *Reference re Impact Assessment Act*, 2023 SCC 23 represented an intervenor in a reference regarding the constitutionality of the Federal *Impact Assessment Act*.
- Christie v Canada (Attorney General), 2024 FC 1722 successful in a judicial review application brought by a retired member of the RCMP regarding a benefits decision issued by the Veterans Review and Appeal Board.
- *Pelletier v Canada (Attorney General)*, 2024 FC 1669 successful in a judicial review application brought by a retired member of the Canadian Armed Forces regarding a benefits decision issued by the Veterans Review and Appeal Board.
- Bordeaux Developments Corporation v Hu, 2023 ABKB 44 obtained a mandatory injunction requiring the removal of various defamatory publications, and subsequently, summary judgment and enhanced costs.
- Prairiesky Royalty Ltd v Yangarra Resources Ltd, 2023 ABKB 11 successful in a trial regarding whether a gross overriding royalty was an interest in land that was binding upon a subsequent holder of a working interest in a Crown Lease.
- Obtained an *ex parte Mareva* injunction against a former employee of an energy company.
- Successful in a trial before the Manitoba Court of King's Bench related to negligent services performed by a contractor.
- Successful in a default trial before the Provincial Court of British Columbia related to a breach of contract and negligent services performed by a contractor.
- Obtained summary judgment and solicitor and own client costs in relation to non-compliance with a Restrictive Covenant.
- Advised an international defence contractor with respect to import/export sanctions.
- Advised an international defence contractor with respect to Canadian procurement practices.

# **Insights & Events**

- Presenter, Legal Education Society of Alberta
- Author, "Extending limitation periods for environmental damages: Paramount Resources Ltd v Grey Owl Engineering Ltd.", BLG Article, August 2024
- Author, "Public health and environmental benefit not an advantage for constructive expropriation", BLG Article, May 2024
- Author, "Challenge of regulatory decision was res judicata", BLG Article, May 2024
- Author, "Public interest immunity does not shield briefing on energy policy", BLG Article, April 2024
- Author, "Alberta Court confirms that legislative bodies can shield administrative decisions", BLG Article, February 2024
- Author, "Supreme Court finds Federal Impact Assessment Act Unconstitutional", BLG Article, October 2023
- Author, "ABCA clarifies approach to determining a successful party's entitlement to costs", BLG Article, June 2023
- Author, "Court clarifies law regarding royalties as interests in land and common law priority rules", BLG Article, January 2023



- Author, "Top Energy Issues in Canada with implications for 2023 and beyond", BLG Article, January 2023
- Author, "Court of Appeal finds Federal Impact Assessment Act unconstitutional", BLG Article, May 2022
- Author, "Top 10 commercial decisions of 2021", BLG Article, February 2022
- Author, "Supreme Court of Canada's decision warns plaintiffs: Act on potential claims", BLG Article, September 2021

## **Beyond Our Walls**

#### **Professional Involvement**

- Member, Law Society of Alberta
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, Calgary Bar Association
- Member, The Advocates' Society

#### **Community Involvement**

- Volunteer, Calgary Civil Claims Duty Counsel Project
- Volunteer, Calgary ABKB Amicus Project

### Bar Admission & Education

- Alberta, 2022
- JD, University of Alberta, 2021
- BA, University of Alberta, 2014

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