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## Industries & Expertise

#### INDUSTRIES

Charity & Not-For-Profit | Energy & Natural  
Resources | Government | Health | Life Sciences

#### EXPERTISE

Aboriginal Law | Administrative & Public Law |  
Competition, Antitrust & Foreign Investment |  
Corporate Governance | Privacy and  
Cybersecurity

## Biography

#### BAR ADMISSION

Alberta, 1985

British Columbia, 2018

#### EDUCATION

- LL.M., 1990
- LL.B., 1984

#### LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English

Gerry provides senior counsel and representation for business and government organizations in Canada. His practice is nationwide, with a focus on international, federal, territorial, provincial and Indigenous regulations. He is a leading advisor and advocate for business organizations, government regulators, health care and research agreements, human research ethics review, Indigenous governments, professional associations, charities, and lobbyists on questions of governance, lobbying, access to information, privacy, conflicts of interest, election regulation, politically exposed persons and parliamentary and legislative proceedings.

Gerry's impressive body of work as a legal scholar is nothing short of remarkable. His extensive list of publications and presentations on diverse legal topics, ranging from healthcare regulations to cybersecurity laws, demonstrate his deep knowledge and practical insights into the ever-evolving legal landscape. He is a seasoned lawyer, well-versed in a wide array of legal issues. Clients find in him a trusted and insightful advisor.

His appellate advocacy experience, including two dozen matters before the Supreme Court of Canada, makes him a sought after counsellor on both questions of law and strategy. His broad background includes service as the Honorary Consul for Korea in Alberta and membership on the Board of Directors of Harvest Operations, the Canadian subsidiary of the Korea National Oil Corporation. Additionally, he teaches "Negotiation of Indigenous Rights" at the University of Calgary Faculty of Law. Finally, he chairs hearings of the Criminal Code Review Board, as a member thereof.

## Industry involvement

### Recognition

- *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*, Litigation—Regulatory and Public Law
- LLB (1984) and LLM (1990), University of Alberta Faculty of Law
- Past Chair and Co-Chair for a number of Canadian Bar Association committees, including the national Constitutional and Human Rights Law Section and the Canada for Tomorrow Committee of the Alberta Branch of the Canadian Bar Association
- Adjunct professor at Canadian University College (now Burman University), 1993-1997
- Member, Federal Judicial Advisory Committee for Alberta, 2006-2008
- King's Counsel (appointed Queen's Counsel in 2006)
- Awarded Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal in 2012 for public service to Canada
- Awarded Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal in 2022 for public service to Alberta
- Sessional instructor at the University of Calgary Faculty of Law
- Centre Associate of the University of British Columbia Centre for Constitutional Law and Legal Studies

### Thought leadership

- Co-Author, "Cowboys and Crypto" Law 360 Canada, June 19, 2024
- Co-Author, "Understanding rights of those with severe mental illness, substance use issues, part two" Law 360 Canada, August 4, 2023
- Co-Author, "Understanding rights of those with severe mental illness, substance use issues, part one" Law 360 Canada, August 3, 2023
- Co-Author, "Changes to Canada's Lobbyists' Code of Conduct: What to know," June 27, 2023
- Author, "Federal Lobbying and Undue Influence Rules," October 14, 2022
- Co-author, "Alberta Court of Appeal to health profession regulators: Do not unnecessarily damage reputation of a professional until all appeals have been exhausted," December 16, 2021
- Author, "A judicial weapon to fight cyber terrorists: The privacy injunction," The Lawyer's Daily, October 8, 2021
- Author, "Privacy injunctions, the judicial response to cyber ransom demands," September 30, 2021
- Co-author, "Canada Elections Act: What you can do without registering," August 20, 2021
- Co-author, "Doing Business with Government," Business Laws of Canada, 2021 Edition, Chapter 23
- Co-author, "Alberta Health Services v Farkas: Balancing the interests of freedom of information and solicitor-client privilege," Miller Thomson Health Communiqué, May 7, 2020
- Co-author, "COVID-19: The power of the government in a public health emergency," Miller Thomson Health Communiqué, March 20, 2020
- Co-author, "EY Report on Alberta Health Services," Miller Thomson Health Communiqué, February 3, 2020
- Presenter, "Legal Issues Relating to Affordable Housing and Homelessness and Municipal Law," Canadian Bar Association, Alberta Branch, Municipal Law Section Meeting, Calgary, Alberta, December 3, 2019
- Presenter, "Treaty Right to Healthcare and Jurisdiction Over Healthcare on Reserves – Webcast," Canadian Bar Association, Alberta Branch, Administrative Law Section Meeting, Calgary, Alberta, January 10, 2019
- Co-author, "Doing Business With Government," Business Laws of Canada, Chapter 23, 2019
- Author, "Fair Recognition of Newcomer Qualifications," Labour and Employment Communiqué, June 25, 2019
- Presenter, "Principles of Termination & Constructive Dismissal," Human Resources Management for Indigenous Organizations Conference, Edmonton, Alberta, September 19, 2018
- Presenter, "Export to Korea: Cultural, Legal and Political Considerations and Opportunities," Saskatchewan Trade & Export Partnership Korea Export Seminar, Regina, Saskatchewan, March 23, 2018
- Presenter, "Medical and Recreational Cannabis in the Health Industry," Miller Thomson Health Law Webinar, December 13, 2017
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- Author, "Alberta Health and Alberta Doctors Partner to Improve Patient Care," Miller Thomson Health Communiqué, 2016

- Author, "Changes in the Criminal Code: Employee Rights in a Time of Legal Chaos," Canadian Labour and Employment Law Blog, January 18, 2016
- Author, "Check List for Legislators: Towards a Canadian Approach to End of Life Choice," 2016
- Author, "Constitutionality of the Extra-Provincial Application of Securities Law," Exempt Edge, 2015
- Author, "Physician-assisted Suicide: Drafting Memo for Parliament," Charter and Human Rights Litigation, 2015
- Author, "Reciprocal Enforcement of Judgments in Arizona and Alberta," Canadian Labour and Employment Law Blog, April 13, 2015
- Author, "Co-operative Federalism Reinforced: Workers' Compensation Rules Clarified," Canadian Labour and Employment Law Blog, April 8, 2014
- Author, "Supreme Court of Canada on Adequate Labour Tribunal Reasons," Canadian Labour and Employment Law Blog, April 1, 2013
- Author, "The Protection of Freedom of Expression is not Just the Responsibility of the Courts," Miller Thomson Article, 2013
- Author, "Parliament acted legally when it passed Bill C-18," Globe and Mail, January 5, 2012

## **Notable Matters**

Gerry has represented clients in cases addressing a wide range of public policy issues in Canada:

- Charity regulations
- Charter of Rights and Freedoms
- Constitution of Canada
- Controverted elections (federal, provincial and municipal)
- Corporate governance
- Election advertising and campaign finance laws
- Environmental review and assessment
- Health care regulatory bodies and professional ethics enforcement
- Hospitals and health care privileges
- Human rights and labour relations
- Indigenous governance
- Lobbying
- Media regulation
- Municipal bylaws and administrative decisions
- Provincial and federal jurisdictional disputes
- Public health

- The regulation and funding of K-12 schools
- University accreditation and regulation

### **Corporate directorships**

- Member, Criminal Code Review Board
- Member, Board of Directors, Harvest Operations Corp.
- Member, Board of Directors, Sherwood Care
- Member, Board of Directors, Korean War Veterans of Canada Foundation
- Member, Board of Directors, Sir Winston Churchill Society of Calgary
- Chair, Advisory Council, School of Public Policy at the University of Calgary, 2018-2024
- Chair, Board of Directors, Calgary Homeless Foundation, 2018-2021
- Member, Board of Trustees, Canadian University College, 1985-2001
- Member, Board of Directors, Calgary Distress Centre, 2000-2001
- Member, Advisory Board, Canadian Journal of Clinical Medicine, 1997-2000
- Presiding Officer, Non-profit Private Colleges Foundation, 1996-1999
- Member of the National Council of the Canadian Bar Association, 1995-1998
- Member, Board of Directors, New Home Immigration Service, 1994-1995
- Advisory Member, Board of Directors of the Greater Edmonton Foundation, 1992-1994