



Christopher Crisman-Cox

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Biography

Christopher Crisman-Cox has a practice focused on estate and trust litigation. Chris is a problem solver who is committed to finding the best options for clients to reasonably and efficiently resolve disputes.

Chris represents clients in all manner of disputes related to estates and trusts, including: Will challenges, court review of executor/trust accounts (“passing of accounts”), power of attorney issues, guardianship applications, interpretation issues, disputes involving trustee duties, trustee removal/replacement, and support and property equalization claims against estates.

Chris also has extensive experience practicing in family law. He maintains a select practice for family law clients and is particularly able to assist in complex matters involving the intersection of family and estates law.

Chris is experienced at all stages of the litigation process, and has appeared at the provincial and superior court level, including family court. He has also provided assistance with respect to appellate court matters.

Professional achievements & leadership

- *Best Lawyers in Canada - Ones to Watch*, Trusts and Estates, 2025

Notable matters

- Established various joint accounts belong to estate rather than passing to joint account holder
- Client prevailing in contested guardianship dispute among family members
- Compelling interim distribution of estate funds to beneficiary
- Successful negotiation to resolve beneficiary objections in complex, high-value estate
- Obtaining significant value for beneficiary excluded from Will
- Litigation involving appropriateness of post-mortem tax planning and cross-border issues for high-value estates

Thought leadership

- Co-editor, Miller Thomson LLP Estate Litigation Blog
- Private Client Canada, Lexology Legal Influencer Q3 2020

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Estates and Trusts Litigation
Family Law

Community involvement

- Guelph Youth Music Center, Former Board Member
- Belwood Lodge and Camp, Former Member
- Law Students' Legal Advice Program (University of British Columbia)

Bar admissions & education

- Ontario, 2017
- Juris Doctor, University of British Columbia, 2016
- Bachelor of Arts (History), Harvard University, 2007