

# Adrienne S. Funk

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## Industries & Expertise

#### INDUSTRIES

Construction and Infrastructure | Oil and Gas |  
Environmental

#### EXPERTISE

Administrative & Public Law | Appellate Law |  
Commercial Litigation | Environmental Law |  
Insurance Defence

## Biography

#### BAR ADMISSION

Alberta, 2016

#### EDUCATION

- J.D. (with distinction), University of Alberta, 2015
- LL.M., University of Chicago, 2018

Adrienne maintains a wide-ranging civil and commercial litigation practice, including contract, corporate, insurance, and construction disputes. She also has experience with administrative and regulatory matters. Adrienne has made appearances before all levels of Alberta Courts and the Supreme Court of Canada, and has experience with private arbitrations.

Adrienne was a sessional instructor in Employment Law at the University of Alberta, Faculty of Law from 2020 until 2023. Adrienne has also authored and co-authored multiple influential scholarly pieces. Outside of her legal practice, she volunteers with the Court of King's Bench Amicus Program and the Court of Justice Civil Claims Duty Counsel Program.

Adrienne holds various professional memberships, and has been ranked in well-respected directories since 2014. Adrienne articulated to The Honourable Mister Justice Frans Slatter at the Alberta Court of Appeal. She obtained her Masters of Law (LL.M.) from the University of Chicago in 2018, focusing on constitutional law and judicial behaviour, and was the recipient of the Law Society of Alberta's Viscount Bennett Scholarship for her studies there. She obtained her Juris Doctor (J.D.) with Distinction from the University of Alberta in 2015. She was recognized on the Dean's List throughout law school, the class-elected Valedictorian and the recipient of the Judges' Bronze Medal in Law for standing 3rd overall in her graduating class. During law school, Adrienne was an active member of the editorial board of the Alberta Law Review, a finalist in the 2015 Bowman National Tax Moot, and a research assistant to Professor Peter Sankoff.

## Industry involvement

### Recognition

- *Best Lawyers in Canada: Ones to Watch* – Corporate and Commercial Litigation, 2025; Insurance Law, 2025
- Law Society of Alberta Viscount Bennett Scholarship, 2017-2018
- Judges' Bronze Medal in Law, University of Alberta, 2015
- Alberta Crown Attorney's Association Prize in Criminal Procedure, University of Alberta, 2015
- Gordon Wright QC Memorial Award for skill in the field of advocacy in a moot court program, University of Alberta, 2015
- Kelly Jenkins Memorial Award for making a lasting impression on colleagues, University of Alberta, 2015
- Honourable Mr. Justice Arnold F Moir Scholarship for academic achievement following second year law school, University of Alberta, 2014
- Roger S. Smith Undergraduate Student Research Award, University of Alberta, 2014

### Thought leadership

- Co-author, "Why Should a Confinement Need to be 'Significant' to Attract Liability? A Proposal to Clarify and Reform the Current Approach to Forcible Confinement," with Professor Peter Sankoff, *Criminal Law Quarterly*, May 2015
- Author, "A Canadian Judicial Code of Conduct: Superfluous or Safeguard?" Second place prize in William Morrow Essay Contest, 2015
- Co-author, Alberta chapter, *DRI Rescission Compendium*, 2015

**Community roles**

- Sessional Instructor in Employment Law, University of Alberta Faculty of Law, 2020 – Present
- Board Member of the Taite Boomer Memorial Brain Tumor Foundation
- Volunteer with the Civil Claims Duty Counsel, 2016-Present
- Volunteer with the Court of Queen's Bench Amicus Program, 2016-Present
- Volunteer with Student Legal Services Civil and Family Division, 2012-2013

**Memberships & affiliations**

- Law Society of Alberta
- Canadian Bar Association
- Federation of Asian Canadian Lawyers