

Kurt Dahl

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Industries & Expertise

INDUSTRIES

Entertainment and Media | Hospitality |
Technology

EXPERTISE

Startup, Emerging Companies and Venture
Capital | Technology, IP and Privacy | Intellectual
Property

Biography

BAR ADMISSION

Saskatchewan, 2010

EDUCATION

- Master of Laws, University of Saskatchewan, 2009
- Juris Doctor (JD), University of Saskatchewan, 2005
- Bachelor of Commerce (B.Comm), University of Saskatchewan, 2004

Kurt focuses on entertainment law and intellectual property, representing industry professionals such as high profile entertainers, film companies, video game companies, influencers, recording artists, songwriters, music producers, record labels, managers, publishing companies and all types of stakeholders and creatives in the music, film and gaming industries. With a rich background as a guest lecturer, keynote speaker, manager,

talent buyer, board member and chart-topping musician, Kurt blends legal knowledge with practical experience to provide first class service. Recognized as a leader in entertainment law and intellectual property, Kurt brings two decades of advocacy to the table.

Kurt has been deeply involved in the music and film industries for the past two decades. He has volunteered his time as board member for organizations such as SaskMusic, the SaskTel Saskatchewan JazzFest, the Western Canadian Music Awards, BreakOut West, and others. Kurt is currently the President of the Board for the Western Canadian Music Alliance, and is Vice President of the Board for the SaskTel Saskatchewan JazzFest. Kurt also volunteers many pro bono hours to various music-related endeavours throughout Canada.

Kurt is a sought-after speaker at major music and film events, showcasing his deep knowledge of intellectual property and entertainment law. Kurt's passion for sharing his experience shines through in his engaging lectures and industry publications.

Industry involvement

Thought leadership

- Regular guest speaker at Breakout West, the Canadian Country Music Awards, Canadian Music Week, Indie Week, the Junos, and more
- Regular guest lecturer at universities across Canada

Notable Matters

- Represented Skip the Dishes in their engagement of actor Jon Hamm for three year campaign
- Lead lawyer for Colter Wall's major label signing to RCA
- Co-counsel for Tones and I's major US label bidding war negotiations
- Represented video game giant Capcom in drafting their standard music licenses

Community roles

- President, SaskMusic, 2016 – 2022
- Board Member (currently the Board Chair), BreakoutWest and the Western Canadian Music Awards, 2016 – Present
- Board Member, Sasktel Saskatchewan Jazz Festival, 2020