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BIOGRAPHY

Menka Sull is a member of the firm's Construction + Engineering, Insurance, Administrative Law and Environmental Practices. Her practice is litigation-focused and includes a variety of areas of law including contractual disputes, construction litigation, environmental contamination, occupiers' liability claims and professional negligence and disciplinary matters.

Within her professional liability practice, Menka specializes in representing the interests of engineers and lawyers in litigation arising out of professional activities. Menka has represented clients before all levels of Court in British Columbia and before administrative tribunals.

At Alexander Holburn, Menka chairs the [Women's Forum](#), a group dedicated to promoting business development and networking opportunities among our female lawyers, paralegals, and female clients. Menka was previously a member of its Diversity and Inclusion Committee. She is also active in student recruitment and hiring. Menka contributes to the firm's Construction + Engineering blog and regularly presents professional development seminars for clients and other lawyers at the firm.

Menka is a graduate of the Allard School of Law at UBC. Prior to attending law school, Menka obtained a Master's degree in Political Science from UBC and worked as a research consultant on the resolution of Indian Residential Schools claims with the federal government for a number of years.

ON A PERSONAL NOTE

In her spare time, Menka enjoys being an amateur chef.

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EDUCATION

- 2014 J.D. [University of British Columbia](#)
 - 2004 M.A. [University of British Columbia](#)
 - 2002 B.A. (with Distinction) [University of British Columbia](#)
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BAR ADMISSIONS

- 2015 Admitted to the British Columbia Bar
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PRACTICE AREAS

BUSINESS

- Administrative Law
- Construction + Engineering
- Environmental

RECOGNITION

- 2024 Best Lawyers® in Canada– Ones to Watch (Insurance Law)

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

Menka has represented clients before all levels of Court in British Columbia and before administrative tribunals. She has also resolved matters through formal and informal mediation processes.

Menka's decisions include:

- *Drennan v. Smith*, 2022 BCCA 86

Menka successfully appealed an order to dismiss a claim for want of prosecution after being retained as appellant counsel.

- *Winkler v. Boughton Law Corporation*, June 2021

Menka was successful in obtaining a dismissal after a trial of the claimant's action for solicitor's negligence on the basis that the claimant failed to prove negligence or causation.

- *Quansah v. Moffatt et al.*, May 2021

Menka successfully defended the plaintiff's petition for judicial review of a provincial judge's order to dismiss the claim at a settlement conference for failing to disclose a triable issue.

- *Wozny v. Gelber*, 2021 BCSC 314

Menka successfully brought a summary trial application to dismiss the plaintiff's claim for solicitor's negligence on the basis of the expiry of the limitation period and the doctrine of cause of action estoppel.

- *0694841 B.C. Ltd. v. Alara Environmental Health and Safety Limited*, 2021 BCSC 128, aff'd 2022 BCCA 67

Menka was successful in a summary trial application to dismiss the plaintiff's claim for negligent misrepresentation on the basis of a disclaimer clause. The decision was upheld on appeal.

- *Lu v. Real Estate Council of British Columbia*, 2021 BCSC 109

Menka successfully brought an application to strike the plaintiff's claim for failing to disclose a cause of action and for being vexatious and an abuse of process.

PERSONAL

- Administrative Law

INSURANCE

- Occupiers Liability
- Construction + Engineering
- Environmental
- Professional Liability
- Personal Injury

INDUSTRIES

- Construction
- Environmental
- Police Law + Liability



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- *655515 B.C. Ltd. v. Palmer*, 2017 BCSC 335

Menka was successful in obtaining a dismissal after a trial of the plaintiff's claim for solicitor's negligence on the basis that the plaintiff could not demonstrate any loss.

PUBLICATIONS

- April 2022, "*Drennan v. Smith*, 2022 BCCA 86", Counsel Commentary, *Take Five Newsletter*, OnPoint Law Corp, Page 13, Author
- March 2022, "*0694841 B.C. Ltd. v. Alara Environmental Health and Safety Limited*, 2022 BCCA 67", Counsel Commentary, *Take Five Newsletter*, OnPoint Law Corp, Page 15, Co-Author
- November 2019, "Serving 'Rough Justice': Assessing Remediation Costs and Liability Allocation Pursuant to the British Columbia Environmental Management Act", *HazMat Management*, Author
- October 2019, "What constitutes a material change in risk: A review of two recent decisions", *The Lawyer's Daily*, Author

EVENTS

- 08/11/2018, Construction Seminar: Extras!

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- [Law Society of British Columbia](#), Member
- [Canadian Bar Association](#), Member
- [Vancouver Bar Association](#), Member
- [West Coast LEAF](#), Member
- [British Columbia Civil Liberties Association](#), Member
- [Canadian Construction Women](#), Member
- [South Asian Bar Association of British Columbia](#), Member
- [Federation of Asian Canadian Lawyers](#), Member



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