

# MICHAEL SWITZER STUDENT

# **BIOGRAPHY**

Michael joined Alexander Holburn as a summer student in May 2022 and will return for articles in 2023.

Michael currently attends Allard Law at UBC, where he has received the Borden Ladner Gervais Professional Excellence Award and Kenneth Douglas Landels Memorial Award in Law. He is grateful for his participation in numerous law-related opportunities, including the International Justice and Human Rights clinic, where he researched international human rights law as part of the clinic's Human Rights Committee team; the Law Students' Legal Advice Program; Legal Education Outreach; and the Indigenous Cultural Competency Certificate program.

Michael has a broad interest in litigation, particularly in the areas of defamation, privacy, and intellectual property.

Prior to law school, Michael completed a Bachelor of Arts at the University of Toronto, with majors in International Relations and Philosophy. He was the recipient of several academic awards, including the Ian Drummond Book Prize, Meltzer Memorial Scholarship, George Ignatieff Scholarship, and the John Hart Hunter Memorial Scholarship.

He has served as the deputy executive director for the Canadian Centre for the Responsibility to Protect; the male Head of Arts at Trinity College at the University of Toronto; and an Associate at The Park Group.

#### ON A PERSONAL NOTE

In his spare time, Michael enjoys hiking, violin, singing, reading, and learning

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#### **EDUCATION**

- 2023 J.D. University of British Columbia
- 2020 B.A. University of Toronto



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## **PUBLICATIONS**

Park, Tina J. and Switzer, Michael, "R2P & Cyberspace: Sovereignty as a Responsibility." 2020 12<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Cyber Conflict. 20/20 Vision: The Next Decade T. Jancarkova, L. Lindstrom, M. Signoretti, I. Tolga and G. Visky, eds. (NATO CCDCOE Publications, 2020), pp 113-127.

### PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Canadian Bar Association, Student Member
- Vancouver Bar Association, Student Member
- Trial Lawyers Association of British Columbia, Student Member



