ROSEMARY GALLO

PARTNER

BIOGRAPHY

Rosemary Gallo is a Partner and a member of the firm's Family Law Practice Group.

Rosemary practices exclusively in family law and is highly regarded for her ability to guide clients through some of life's most challenging transitions with sensitivity, compassion, and practical advice.

Rosemary advises and represents clients in all areas of family law, including separation and divorce, parenting and contact with children, guardianship, child and spousal support, and division of family property and debt. She has expertise in complex financial issues affecting support and asset division, including cases involving family businesses, complex shareholdings, professional practices, and multi-jurisdictional property. She also regularly acts in high-conflict parenting disputes and relocation cases.

In addition, Rosemary has significant experience in child protection matters. She has successfully represented grandparents and other extended family members to secure the placement of children in their care rather than in the care of the Ministry.

A skilled litigator, Rosemary is known for her practical, common-sense approach and strong courtroom advocacy. She is equally committed to out-of-court resolution. Rosemary promotes settlement at every opportunity and regularly assists clients to resolve their disputes through mediation and other forms of alternative dispute resolution. When court is necessary, she has considerable experience appearing before both the Supreme Court of British Columbia and the Provincial Court of British Columbia.

Rosemary has contributed and co-authored the Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia's *Family Law Sourcebook for British*

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EDUCATION

- 2012 J.D., University of Ottawa
- 2006 B.A. (Philosophy), University of British Columbia

BAR ADMISSIONS

- 2018 Admitted to the British Columbia Bar
- 2014 Admitted to the Ontario Bar

PRACTICE AREAS

PERSONAL

- Family Law

Columbia and *Injunctions: British Columbia Law and Practice*. She has presented for both CLEBC and CBA on complex financial issues in family law and gives community legal education sessions in French. She has been interviewed by Radio-Canada's *Phare Ouest* to comment on Supreme Court of British Columbia decisions relating to parenting time during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Before moving to British Columbia, Rosemary practiced family law in Toronto. She served on the board of the Family Lawyers Association and chaired its Child Protection Committee, where she co-drafted a critique of the Ontario government's proposed changes to the *Child and Family Services Act*.

ON A PERSONAL NOTE

Outside of work, she's usually on the sidelines of a soccer field cheering on her two young boys like it's the World Cup. When she's not braving the elements at the field, she's in the kitchen testing new recipes while keeping her growing soccer stars well-fed.

RECOGNITION

- 2026 Doyle's Guide - Recommended Family, Divorce & Matrimonial Lawyer

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Guide clients through complex property, income, and support disputes with strategic and practical advice.
- Support parents in challenging parenting and relocation disputes.
- Protect and advocate for vulnerable individuals experiencing financial imbalance and coercive control.
- Successfully representing grandparents and other relatives in child protection proceedings to secure long-term care of children within their families.
- Negotiating comprehensive separation agreements that resolve parenting, support, and property issues without the need for trial.
- Advising clients on interjurisdictional issues, including moves between provinces and the enforcement of support across borders.

- Represent clients in the collaborative law process, facilitating negotiated, out-of-court resolutions.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co author, Family Law Sourcebook for British Columbia (CLEBC)
- Co author, Injunctions: British Columbia Law and Practice (CLEBC)
- Editor, JP Boyd on Family Law
- Faculty, “Advanced Family Law for Paralegals” (CLEBC)
- Commentator, Radio Canada Phare Ouest, family law issues including parenting time during COVID 19

PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Canadian Bar Association
- L’Association des juristes d’expression française de la Colombie-Britannique (AJEFCB)
- Former Board Member, Family Lawyers Association (Toronto)
- Former Chair, Child Protection Committee, Family Lawyers Association