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# **BIOGRAPHY**

Todd Davies is a member of the firm's Insurance Practice Group. His focus is on insurance litigation, and he regularly provides coverage opinions and handles subrogated matters for insurers. Todd's expertise includes insurance coverage, occupiers' liability, product liability, sports and recreation and professional indemnity claims. He also has significant experience handling complex personal injury matters. Todd's clients comprise North American insurers, Lloyd's syndicates and several self-insured companies.

Todd is a member of the Senior Leadership Team for Legalign Global, a worldwide alliance of best-in-region law firms working as one for multinational insurers, brokers and businesses in addressing cross-border risks and claims. Alexander Holburn is the Canadian member of this affiliation. Todd is also Past-President and an executive member of The ARC Group Canada, a network of independent law firms across Canada that focus on insurance and risk management. Alexander Holburn is the British Columbia and Ontario member of this affiliation.

# **RECOGNITION**

- 2013 2025 Best Lawyers® in Canada, Insurance Law
- 2014 2023 Who's Who Legal recommended as National Leader:
   Canada Insurance & Reinsurance 2021
- 2020 2025 Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory consistently recommended in the area of Litigation Commercial Insurance

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## **EDUCATION**

- 1993 LL.B. University of British Columbia
- 1990 B.Comm. University of British Columbia

#### **BAR ADMISSIONS**

 1994 Admitted to the British Columbia Bar

## PRACTICE AREAS

### INSURANCE

- Directors + Officers
- Professional Liability
- Occupiers Liability
- Class Actions
- Personal Injury
- Coverage Disputes



• 2021 - 2024 Benchmark Canada Litigation Star, Insurance Law

#### REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Handles a variety of construction related matters including the defence of land surveyors, architects, engineers, and various trades and suppliers
- Acts as counsel in British Columbia to one of Canada's largest retail corporations, handling its occupier's liability and property damage litigation
- Provides ongoing advice to a leading North American insurance brokerage
- Regularly advises excess insurers and rental car companies on various issues arising out of the defence of motor vehicle cases exceeding British Columbia's mandatory \$200,000 liability coverage
- Frequently handles all types of sports and recreation claims including those arising out of skiing, gymnastics, soccer, hockey, martial arts and baseball. Has also been involved in drafting waivers for various sports and recreation leagues, associations and related facilities
- Significant experience defending complex personal injury matters

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- March 2019, "Minor Injury Cap Motor Vehicle Claims in BC", AHBL Client Bulletin, Co-author
- February 2019, "New Rule Significantly Limiting Use of Expert Reports in MVA Actions", AHBL Client Bulletin, Co-author
- September 2017, "Recovery for Psychological Injuries", *Claims Canada*, Co-author
- November 2016, "Limits of Relief From Forfeiture: Court of Appeal for BC Denies Insured Pre-tender Defence Costs", *Insurance People magazine*, Co-author
- September 11, 2015, "Problems and Pitfalls in Representing an Insurer in Coverage Claims", Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia, Insurance Law Conference, Author and Presenter
- June 2015, "Living Vicariously", *Canadian Underwriter* magazine, Coauthor
- October 2013, "Host Liability's Legacy Raising a Glass to the 40th

## **INDUSTRIES**

- Hospitality
- Construction
- Technology





Anniversary of Commercial Host Liability", *Claims Canada* magazine, Co-Author

- November 2012, "The Coverage Lawsuit and Bad Faith Claims", Insurancewest, Author
- May 2010, "A Guide to the Health Care Costs Recovery Act", Alexander Holburn Beaudin + Lang LLP Insurance law publications, Author
- November 2009, ADR In Canada, Presented to Lloyd's, Moderator
- April 2008, Product Recall, BC Risk Insurance Managers Annual Meeting, Speaker
- November 2007, "Where Will You Be Sued?" (Choice of Jurisdiction Clauses in Insurance Policies), Canadian Underwriter, Co-authored with Gary M. Nijman
- November 2007, "The \$1 Million Liability Cap in British Columbia: Practical Implications for Rental Car Companies Doing Business in British Columbia", article for Alexander Holburn Beaudin + Lang LLP Insurance E-alert, Author
- February 2007, Jury Trials, *Annual Canadian Insurance Claims Manager's Association Conference*, Speaker
- November 2007, "Where Will You Be Sued?" (Choice of Jurisdiction Clauses in Insurance Policies), Canadian Underwriter, Co-authored with Gary M. Nijman
- November 2007, "The \$1 Million Liability Cap in British Columbia: Practical Implications for Rental Car Companies Doing Business in British Columbia", article for Alexander Holburn Beaudin + Lang LLP Insurance E-alert, Author
- February 2007, "Foreseeability and Causation in Negligence Law as
   Explained by the Supreme Court of Canada: Resurfice Corp. vs. Hanke,
   2007 SCC 7", article for Alexander Holburn Beaudin + Lang LLP Insurance
   E-alert, Co-authored with Jeremy M. Poole and Bruno De Vita
- February 2007, Jury Trials, Annual Canadian Insurance Claims Manager's Association Conference, Speaker

## PROFESSIONAL & COMMUNITY AFFILIATIONS

- Law Society of British Columbia, Member
- Canadian Bar Association (Insurance Law Section), Member and Past Chair





- Vancouver Bar Association, Past President
- Canadian Defence Lawyers, Member



