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education and year of call

- Called to the British Columbia bar - 2014
- Osgoode Hall Law School, Certificate in Entertainment Law - 2016
- University of British Columbia, Juris Doctor - 2013
- University of British Columbia, B.A. Hons., Political Science - 2010

practice areas

business law
corporate governance
e-commerce
employment law
entertainment and media
licensing
private equity
technology

industries

applied technology
biotechnology
food, beverage and agribusiness
franchising and distribution
media, communications and entertainment
retail
video games and esports

profile

Tyson is an associate in the Business Law Group in the firm's Vancouver office. Tyson's practice focuses primarily on assisting emerging and growth stage companies manage corporate governance matters, negotiate contracts and licensing agreements, navigate growth financing, and facilitate routine corporate commercial matters. He also advises clients on the drafting of employment agreements, negotiating contractor relationships, and managing privacy issues.

In his practice, Tyson works alongside companies from across Canada, the United States, and abroad who are creators, developers, integrators, innovators, distributors, and service providers, with a focus on entertainment, food and beverage, industrial design, and video game industries. As a former television executive, Tyson knows what it takes to bring a diverse team of creatives, trades, and professionals together to bring a product to market.

Tyson both summered and articulated with McMillan before joining the firm as an associate in 2014. He later spent three years as the Director of Business Development at a leading entertainment company where he drafted, negotiated, and reviewed various commercial contracts including: license agreements, sub-distribution agreements, and service agreements with international broadcasters, distributors, agents, manufacturers, and creatives. In addition, he advised on employment and privacy law matters such as: employment agreements, CASL compliance, and complex terminations.

He re-joined McMillan as an associate in 2018.

directorships and professional associations

- Canadian Bar Association

- Vancouver Bar Association

publications

May 2019

Shocking U.S. "Loot Box" Bill Should Surprise No One: The Video Game Industry Under Attack
Business Law Bulletin

April 2019

VFX Animators Awarded Overtime Pay: Decision Sets High BC Bar for "High-Tech Professional"
Employment and Labour Bulletin

June 2015

"Intern(al) Affairs": Managing Unpaid Internships in British Columbia
Employment and Labour Bulletin

April 2015

Gotta Have (Good) Faith: Wrongful Dismissal and Aggravated Damages in *George v. Cowichan Tribes*
Employment and Labour Bulletin

March 2015

The Most Important Question is Why: the SCC Revisits Constructive Dismissal
Employment and Labour Bulletin

February 2015

28 Years Later: Constitutional Right to Strike Confirmed by Supreme Court
Employment and Labour Bulletin

January 2015

It's a Two-Way Street: Employees are Required to Give Notice of Resignation
Employment and Labour Bulletin

January 2015

2014 Year in Review: Ensure your organization stays on the "Nice List" in 2015
Employment and Labour Bulletin

December 2014

Green Eggs And Spam: The Surprising Side Dish to Canada's Anti-Spam Law that May Catch Software Businesses Off Guard
Privacy Bulletin

June 2014

Streamlining Venture Issuer Disclosure Requirements – Overview Of New CSA Proposal
Securities Bulletin



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May 2014

Supreme Court of Canada Finds Mandatory Retirement Lawful
in Professional Partnerships
Employment and Labour Bulletin

May 2014

A Matter of Effect Over Form: Court Approves Novel Approach
to Restrictive Covenants
Employment and Labour Bulletin