

DAVID GIRARD

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PROFILE

Calgary-based litigation partner with over 12 years of call, practising across insurance, civil, commercial, and estate law. Committed to the public interest in the administration of justice through sustained engagement in governance, access to justice initiatives, and community leadership. Brings a bilingual, multi-jurisdictional perspective and demonstrated experience serving on committees, boards, and governance bodies at the local, provincial, and national levels.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Partner

Nov 2017 – Present

Dolden Wallace Folick LLP, Calgary, AB

Insurance defence practice spanning coverage disputes and a broad range of insurance matters.

Associate

Feb 2016 – Nov 2017

MLT Aikins LLP, Calgary, AB

Civil litigation, estate litigation, bankruptcy and insolvency.

Associate

Sept 2014 – Feb 2016

McGurk LLP & Law Boutique, Calgary, AB

Commercial and civil litigation; estate litigation.

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Aug 2013 – Sept 2014

Bennett Jones LLP, Calgary, AB

GOVERNANCE & LEADERSHIP

Canadian Bar Association — Alberta Branch

Co-Chair, Access to Justice Committee	<i>Jul 2025 – Present</i>
Member, Access to Justice Committee	<i>Oct 2024 – Present</i>
Member-at-Large, Insurance Law Section	<i>2026 – Present</i>
Member, Well-Being Subcommittee	<i>2026 – Present</i>
Member, Executive Committee, French-Speaking Common Law Lawyers Section	<i>2026 – 2027</i>
Executive Meeting Participant, Construction Law National Section	<i>2026 – Present</i>
National Member, Canadian Bar Association	<i>2010 – Present</i>

The Advocates' Society

Member-at-Large, Personal Injury & Insurance Law Practice Group	<i>Jun 2026 – Present</i>
Member-at-Large, Arbitration and Mediation Practice Group	<i>2018 – 2020</i>

Bar & Professional Associations

Member, Calgary Bar Association	<i>2016 – Present</i>
Volunteer Lawyer, Provincial Court of Alberta (Civil Division)	<i>2013 – 2014</i>

COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP

President, Downtown West Community Association	<i>2024 – Present</i>
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EDUCATION

LL.M. London School of Economics and Political Science	<i>2012 – 2013</i>
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- Dissertation completed with Distinction
- Competitor, Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot

J.D. University of Victoria	<i>2011 – 2012</i>
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- Fasken Martineau Dumoulin Research Prize
- Canada Law Book Third Year Prize in International Arbitration
- Co-Submissions Manager & Board Member, *University of Victoria Law Review*

- Competitor, Gale Cup Moot (Criminal Law) & Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot
- Member, Curriculum Committee, Faculty of Law

LL.L. University of Ottawa (Dean's List)

2008 – 2011

- Member, Senate of the University of Ottawa
- Member, Executive Committee of the Senate
- Member, Council on Undergraduate Studies
- President, Business Law Student Association
- Vice-President Finance, Civil Law Student Association

B.A. (Political Science) Université de Montréal

2005 – 2008

- Dean's List & Mention of Excellence

LANGUAGES

English	French	Spanish	Italian	German
<i>Fluent</i>	<i>Fluent</i>	<i>Intermediate</i>	<i>Intermediate</i>	<i>Intermediate</i>