

Margaret L. Eriksson

Barrister & Solicitor

Margaret Eriksson has been a member of the Law Society of B.C. since 1989 practising primarily in the areas environmental and administrative law, with Blake, Cassels & Graydon, Thomas & Davis and independently. Ms. Eriksson is currently an Adjunct Professor of Law at University of British Columbia and has taught environmental law at the University of Alberta and other institutions. She served on the Environmental Legislation and Law Reform Committee of the National Canadian Bar Association and on the Executive of the Environmental Law Section of the Canadian Bar Association (BC Branch). Ms. Eriksson is also a Civil Mediator member of the British Columbia Mediator Roster Society.

With regard to contaminated sites she has

- Acted as counsel in civil litigation and negotiations involving contaminated land in British Columbia.
- Adjudicated appeals involving contaminated sites under the *Waste Management Act*, as a member of the Environmental Appeal Board
- On behalf of the British Columbia Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks for three years acted as Project Co-ordinator of the Pacific Place Remediation Project, a \$50 million clean up of the former EXPO 86 lands, where she has acquired practical experience managing the clean up of contaminated land in British Columbia and working within evolving municipal, provincial, federal and United States regulatory systems affecting the remediation of, and transshipment of waste related to, contaminated sites.
- Assisted the State of Alaska in a cost recovery action against Canadian defendants under the Alaska Superfund legislation.
- As in house lawyer and regulatory affairs advisor at an environmental consulting firm, participated in numerous audits involving contaminated land across Canada.
- Provided advice on liability associated with contaminated land and facilities to financial institutions, receivers, developers, and a variety of public and private clients in the context of property transfers, mergers and acquisitions, tax expropriations, lending and foreclosure transactions. Sites included mining, harbour, airport, oil and gas, chemical manufacturing and distribution, nuclear, railway, metal works, fish and wood processing and various other commercial and industrial facilities.