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Jeff Waatainen is a seasoned forestry lawyer with a wealth of experience regarding regulatory and commercial law in the B.C. forest industry. He has appeared before administrative tribunals that govern the industry, and worked on major commercial transactions within the industry.

Jeff provides legal services to a variety of forest industry and other clientele on a wide range of matters including share-purchase agreements, asset-purchase agreements, services contracts, regulatory issues and commercial disputes.

He has worked on a variety of files for a broad roster of clients in the forest industry. Jeff has advised major licensees to B.C. Timber Sales participants, logging contractors, log brokers and trading companies, private landowners and First Nations.

Jeff taught forestry law as an adjunct professor of law at the U.B.C. Faculty of Law, and has spoken to various groups and organizations on a variety of forestry law matters, including as a presenter at the Continuing Legal Education Society of BC conference "Forestry Law 2020". He has produced numerous publications, including several Forestry Bulletins on subjects related to the forest industry including stumpage, aboriginal rights and legislative developments, and writes a regular column in *BC Forest Professional* magazine.

- Corporate
- Projects, Energy and Infrastructure
- Environment

- Forestry

English

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

- English

Admissions

- British Columbia, 1996

Recognitions

- Chambers Canada (Agribusiness: Forestry), 2019-2022

Education

- LL.B., University of British Columbia, 1995
- M.A., University of British Columbia, 1992
- B.A., (Honours), University of British Columbia, 1991
- Professional Legal Training Course, Law Society of British Columbia, 1995

INSIGHTS

Publications

- The Forest Amendment Act, 2021; Bill 28 and Tenure Redistribution, *BC Forest Professional*, Spring 2022
- DLA Piper's British Columbia Forestry Law: an Annotated Guide (Toronto: Thompson Reuters) (loose-leaf updated semi-annually)
- The Role of Precedent at the Forest Appeals Commission, *BC Forest Professional*, Winter 2021
- Rate Determinations under the Timber Harvesting Contract and Subcontract Regulation Revisited (Again), *BC Forest Professional*, Fall 2021
- The Rule Against Multiple Convictions Revisited, *BC Forest Professional*, Winter 2020
- Frustration and Force Majeure: Unexpected Events and contractual Non-Compliance, *BC Forest Professional*, Summer 2020
- Surrogate Bidding, *Truck Loggers BC*, Winter 2020
- Bill 21 - *The Forest and Range Practices Amendment Act*, *BC Forest Professional*, May-June 2019
- Bill 22, the *Forest Statutes Amendment Act*, 2019: Transitioning Control of Forest Tenures, *BC Forest Professional*, November-December 2019
- For Sake of Certainty, Get it in Writing, *BC Forest Professional*, March-April 2018
- Southern Mountain Caribou and the *Species at Risk Act*, *BC Forest Professional*, July-August 2018
- Judicial Deference to Regulators and the Workers Compensation Act, *BC Forest Professional*, Nov.-Dec. 2018
- Recovery of Government Costs under the *Wildfire Act*, *BC Forest Professional*, Nov.-Dec. 2017
- Public Lands and Forest Policy in BC, *BC Forest Professional*, September/October 2016.
- Priority Disputes Over Hydraulically Connected Surface and Ground Water Under the *New Water Sustainability Act*, *BC Forest Professional*, January/February 2016
- The Tsilhqot'in Decision: Live at the Conference! *BC Forest Professional*, May/June 2015
- Occupational Health and Safety in the Forest Industry: A Matter of Superordinate Importance, *BC Forest Professional*, January/February 2015
- The Inherent Insecurity of Log Purchase Transactions, *BC Forest Professional*, November/December 2014
- Standing in the Shadows of *Delgamuukw*: Uses of Aboriginal Title Land Under the Tsilhqot'in Decision, *BC Forest Professional*, September/October 2014

NEWS

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10 September 2021

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP and its lawyers have been recognized across 15 practice areas in the 2022 edition of *Chambers Canada*.

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