

Steve Vincent

Partner

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Education

LL.B., University of Manitoba, 1984

B.A., University of Manitoba, 1981

Practice Areas

- Insurance
- Litigation and Dispute Resolution
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Civil Litigation
- Construction Litigation
- Corporate and
- Commercial Litigation
- Insurance Litigation
- Professional Governance and Regulation

Industries

- Insurance
- Professional Services



Representative Work

Successfully prosecuted claim for security alarm dealer against subsidiary of large telco for breach of contract. Judgment awarded of close to \$3 million including \$750,000.00 in solicitor and client costs for corporate misconduct. See *Rosenberg et al v. Securtek Monitoring Solutions Inc.*, 2020 MBQB 38 (CanLII).

Successfully defended claim for \$1.8 million in damages for breach of grant of easement and prescriptive easement. Claim for prescriptive easement dismissed. Damages awarded \$25,000.00 not \$1.8 million. Costs of the action awarded to the Defendant. See *St. Boniface Warehousing Ltd. v. BBD Holdings Ltd.*, 2019 MBQB 181 (CanLII). Not appealed.

Obtained a trial judgment in April, 2016 for \$10.7 million for vendors of a successful insurance brokerage against the buyer of the brokerage. The case involved issues of rectification and interpretation of two share purchase agreements. See *Elias et al v. Western Financial Group Inc* 2016 MBQB 75 (CanLII); reversed on appeal 2017 MBCA 110.

Acted for Government of Canada in Canadian Wheat Board Litigation: 2007 FC 807 affirmed at 2008 FCA 76; 2008 FC 769 reversed at 2009 FCA 214.

Acted for successful Plaintiff in leading shareholders oppression case of *Cholakis v. Cholakis et al*, 2006 MBQB 91 as affirmed at 2007 MBCA 156.

Publications and Appearances

Co-Author and Presenter, “Expert Opinion Evidence”, Law Society of Manitoba, 2015

Co-Author (with Karen Poetker), “How you can avoid common Errors and Omissions Problems”, Manitoba Insurance Broker Magazine, December 2013

Author and Presenter, “2013 Annual Joint Family Law Program” (Shareholder Oppression Remedy), Law Society of Manitoba, 2013

Co-Author and Presenter, “When the Family Business Fails” (Shareholder Oppression Remedy), Law Society of Manitoba, 2011

Memberships and Associations

Law Society of Manitoba

Canadian Bar Association

Blue Goose Insurance Association

Honours and Awards

Listed in Benchmark Canada 2020 Report as “Manitoba Litigator of the Year”

Listed in Benchmark 2016 Report as “Manitoba Litigator of the Year” and awarded one of the five “Impact Cases of the Year” for Canada

Regularly listed in Benchmark Canada’s Reports as a Litigation Star and regularly nominated as “Manitoba Litigator of the Year”

Regularly listed in Lexpert directory as “Repeatedly Recommended” for Commercial Litigation