

**Curriculum Vitae**  
**Darlene N. Wingerak**  
**Lawyer, Mediator and Arbitrator**

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**Education, Scholarships & Awards and Other Training:**

- Admitted to the Saskatchewan Bar, 1993 receiving an Academic Excellence Award for the Highest Standing in the 1993 Bar Admission Course Exam.
- Bachelor of Laws Degree (with Distinction), 1992
- University of Saskatchewan Undergraduate Scholarship
- Bachelor of Commerce Degree, 1984 (Finance, Marketing and General Business Majors) University of Saskatchewan
- Mediation Training (40 hours), Fifth Avenue Counselling and Mediation (1998)
- Interest Based Negotiation for Collaborative Law Course (2002) and Advanced Collaborative Law Course (2003)
- Conference/Group Facilitation Training (2004)
- Arbitration Training (ADRIC) 2017
- Qualified Arbitrator Designation (ADRIC) (2020)

**Professional experience:**

**Robertson Stromberg LLP (March 2009 to present)**

- Lawyer, Partner in Robertson Stromberg LLP (March 2009 to present; admitted to Partnership January 2014);
- General practise of law. Practise areas include:

- ADR work including conducting mediations and adjudications for occupational health and safety matters as a mediator/adjudicator appointed under *The Saskatchewan Employment Act*.
- Employment law, estates, family law, and corporate/commercial work

**Provincial Ministry of Justice and Attorney General, Dispute Resolution Office (November 2005 to March 2009):**

- Dispute Resolution Consultant
- Mediated family files and civil files in all areas of law, including mediation of civil litigation cases under the mandatory mediation program. Cases mediated included employment disputes, contract disputes, personal injury cases, family law, debtor/creditor, and estate files.
- Participated in the development and implementation of the Access Facilitation pilot project - a service where a team of family, parenting, legal and conflict resolution professional provided assistance to low income separated and divorced parents to develop appropriate access arrangements, division of matrimonial property and payment of financial support
- Assisted with design of the High Conflict Mediation program for court referred family law cases and acted as mediator in court referred high conflict family law files
- Designed and delivered training in conflict resolution and mediation

**Fifth Avenue Counselling, Mediation and Arbitration (September 2002 to December 2006)**

- Lawyer and Mediator
- Practice emphasis was to provide mediation/alternative dispute resolution services; primary focus was in family law matters.

**Office of the Rentalsman, (October 1998 – September 2000 and May of 2002 to December 2006)**

- Deputy Rentalsman/Hearing Officer Chaired hearings and provided decisions on residential landlord and tenant disputes under The Residential Tenancies Act.

**Scharfstein Gibbings Walen & Fisher (April 1998 to July 1998 and September 1999 to August 2002)**

- Associate Lawyer - General practice of law including civil litigation, real estate, commercial and corporate law, wills and estates and family law.

**Robertson Stromberg (May 1992 to March 1998; completed articles with Robertson Stromberg LLP in 1993)**

- Associate Lawyer – General practice of law including civil litigation, real estate, employment law, commercial and corporate law, wills and estates and administrative law.

**Professional, Business and Community**

- Present Chair of Alternative Dispute Resolution Section North, Canadian Bar Association (2018-2020)
- Served as Vice Chair, Alternative Dispute Resolution Section North, Canadian Bar Association
- Volunteered for Justicia Project of the Law Society of Saskatchewan; Chaired the Flexible Work Arrangements Working Group which developed guidelines and a model policy for a Flexible Working Arrangements for Saskatchewan law firms
- CBA Member, including the following sections: Alternative Dispute Resolution, Labour & Employment Law, Wills & Estates, and Women Lawyers
- Member, Saskatoon Bar Association
- Member, ADR Institute of Saskatchewan and Conflict Resolution Saskatchewan
- Presenter and part of a panel at CBA Saskatchewan 2016 Mid-Winter Meeting – Thriving in Complexity for Real Estate and Wills – What’s new: Top Issues Facing Lawyers. Presented a paper on “Joint Tenancies and Presumption of Resulting Trust in Saskatchewan
- Participated and contributed to the review and update of the CPLED materials on Wills and Estates
- Presenter at Saskatchewan Estate Planning Council on recent case law developments in the area of estates
- Presenter for Employment Standards under the Saskatchewan Employment Act for Lorman Education Services on *Harassment Related Provisions of The Saskatchewan Employment Act*

- Served as Vice President and President of Estate Planning Council of Saskatchewan an organization dedicated to sharing expertise and information in all fields related to estate planning; currently serve as Past President
- Member of the St. Thomas More Lawyers Guild – including participation in group volunteer initiatives
- Served as volunteer coach and facilitator for the Dispute Resolution Program for first year law students at the College of Law
- Served as volunteer Judge for ABA Negotiation Competition for law students hosted at the College of Law
- Acted as Coach for ADR-Negotiation Section of the Bar Course