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PRACTICE AREAS

Environmental • Commercial Litigation • Insurance Litigation • Employment & Labour • Family

BIOGRAPHY

Jim O'Connell, KC, is Counsel in the Saint John office of Cox & Palmer. He was called to the New Brunswick Bar in 1982 after completing his education at the University of New Brunswick. Jim was appointed the designation of Queen's Counsel (now King's Counsel) in 2011.

Jim conducts a general litigation practice with a particular emphasis on commercial, environmental, family and insurance litigation. He has extensive experience before both the Trial and Family Divisions of the Court of Queen's Bench of New Brunswick. Jim also has exposure before various administrative tribunals, including the Motor Carrier Board and the New Brunswick Labour and Employment Board. He is a frequent contributor to the Bar Admission Course on Advocacy and Civil Litigation.

INDUSTRY RECOGNITION & AWARDS

- Listed in the publication the Best Lawyers in Canada as a leading practitioner in Family Law

LANGUAGES

- English

LAW SOCIETY MEMBERSHIPS

- Canadian Bar Association
- Law Society of New Brunswick
- Saint John Law Society

BAR ADMISSION

- New Brunswick (1982)

LAW SCHOOL

- University of New Brunswick

EDUCATION

- Dalhousie University (B.Comm. 1978)
- University of New Brunswick (LL.B. 1981)

LECTURES & PRESENTATIONS

- Continuing Legal Education New Brunswick
- Public Legal Information New Brunswick
- New Brunswick Bar Admission Course
- Various employment law and arbitration seminars
- University of New Brunswick business faculty classes on employment law

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & AFFILIATIONS

- Member – Council for Law Society of New Brunswick
- Board Member – Continuing Legal Education NB (1990-1996)

COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES

- Board Member – New Brunswick Children’s Foundation
- Past Board Member – Saint John Volunteer Centre Inc.
- Past President – Saint John Centre for Services to the Handicapped
- Past President – Lancaster Kiwanis Club
- Former Big Brother – Big Brothers Big Sisters