

FOREST APPEALS COMMISSION

TRIBUNAL MEMBER BIOGRAPHIES

ALAN ANDISON, CHAIR

Alan Andison obtained a B.A. in History in 1974 from Simon Fraser University and an LL.B. in 1985 from the University of Victoria. Mr. Andison was called to the Bar in 1986. Mr. Andison has experience in the areas of administrative, environmental, forestry and natural resources law. He has held a variety positions with the British Columbia public service including terms with the Office of the Ombudsman, the Human Rights Council and the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks. Mr. Andison was appointed Executive Director and General Counsel to the Environmental Appeal Board and the Forest Appeals Commission in 1995. He was appointed Chair of the Board and the Commission on July 27, 2000.

SEAN BROPHY

Sean Brophy is the Executive Vice President of Dayton & Knight Ltd., a multi-disciplinary Canadian consulting firm based in BC providing engineering and environmental consulting services to both private and public clients. Mr. Brophy holds a B.Sc. in Civil Engineering from the University of Natal, South Africa. He is a member of the American Waterworks Association, the BC Water and Waste Association and he is a Registered Professional Engineer. Mr. Brophy is a published author and has presented at various conferences throughout BC.

ROBERT CAMERON

A member of the Association of Professional Engineers & Geoscientists of BC. Obtained a Ph.D. in Environmental Engineering in 1970. Has extensive experience in municipal solid wastes including: landfill operation, remediation and closure, landfill design and evaluation, collection and disposal alternatives and incineration. Also has experience with hazardous waste and environmental assessment and wood waste. He has published 31 papers, reports and journal proceedings, most dealing with various aspects of solid waste and sludge treatment and disposal. He currently works as an independent consulting engineer.

RICHARD CANNINGS

Received a B.Sc. in Zoology from UBC in 1975 and a M.Sc. in Biology from Memorial University of Newfoundland in 1977. From 1981 to 1995, was the Curator of the Cowan Vertebrate Museum, UBC. Has taught Field Ecology at UBC since 1983. Currently a self-employed consulting biologist. He has many years consulting experience with respect to wildlife in BC and has published extensively. A member of the Association of Professional Biologist and a number of other associations and societies. Presently the BC co-ordinator for the North American Breeding Bird Survey. Council member of Bird Studies Canada. Has been the recipient of numerous awards: Association of Professional Biologist of BC, Biologist of the Year (1996); BC Book Prizes: Bill Duthie Booksellers' Choice award for the best work published in BC (1997); the Canadian Science Writers Association, 1996 Science in Society Book Award; and Vancouver Natural History Society, 1994 Ney Award for extraordinary service.

DON CUMMINGS

Mr. Cummings is a member of the Association of Professional Engineers & Geoscientists of BC. He obtained a B.A.Sc. in Civil Engineering from UBC in 1976. He is currently employed by Kerr Wood Leidal Associates Ltd., in Penticton. Community activities include: City Councillor for the City of Richmond from 1990 to 1993; founding director and president of the Save Richmond Farmland Society from 1986 to 1990 and a director of the society from 1993 to 2001; and director, vice-president and chairman of the Constitution, Bylaw and Policy Committee of the Thompson Community Association from 1987 to 1990. He is the recipient of the 1993 Community Services Award from the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC.

CINDY DERKAZ, VICE CHAIR

Cindy Derkaz received her LL.B. from UBC in 1978. She established her own firm in Salmon Arm and practiced corporate, commercial, real estate, wills and estates law. Following her retirement from the practice of law in 1996, she has continued to be a very active community volunteer. Her community activities include: Shuswap Community foundation - founding member, President from 1996; Shuswap Film Society - volunteer; Salmon Arm Nature Bay Enhancement Society - member; Shuswap Art Gallery Association - member; Salmon Arm Folk Music Society - member. Ms. Derkaz was appointed to the Environmental Appeal in 1997 and became Vice-Chair in 2000. She was appointed to the Forest Appeals Commission in 2002.

BRUCE DEVITT

Bruce Devitt graduated from UBC with a BSF degree in 1957. He became a member of the Canadian Institute of Forestry in 1956 and became a BC registered professional forester in 1961. He joined the BC Forest Service Reforestation Division in 1957 and, after 16 years of silvicultural experience, was Forester-in charge of Provincial Nursery and Seed Product Programs. In 1973 he joined Pacific Logging Company Limited as Manager of Forestry Operations. After 18 years of industrial forest management Mr. Devitt retired in 1991 as Chief Forester for Canadian Pacific Forest Products Limited. Also, in 1991, he became Executive Vice-President for the Association of BC Professional Foresters, and entered private forestry practice in 1995. Also after serving 15 years, he retired as director of Pacific Regeneration Technologies Management Inc. in 2002. He currently continues as a member of the Association of BC Forest Professionals and is also a Director of FORED, a non-profit environment and resource education association, a Director and President of St. Paul's Housing Society, Assistant Treasurer of St. Paul's Anglican Church and a Commissioner for Esquimalt Parks and Recreation Commission. He is the holder of the Distinguished Forester Award (1983), the Western Forestry Achievement Award (1991) and the Canadian Forestry Achievement Award (1995). In 1998, he co-authored "Forest Practice, Policy and the Profession", a 50-year history of professional forestry in BC.

MARGARET ERIKSSON

Margaret Eriksson has been a Member of the Law Society of BC since 1989. She practiced environmental, administrative and international trade law for several years at Blake, Cassels & Graydon in Vancouver and Toronto, Thomas & Davis and independently. She also served as Senior Advisor, Environmental and Regulatory Affairs and In-house Counsel at Dillon Consulting Limited. Ms. Eriksson is currently an Adjunct Professor of Law at UBC and has taught environmental law at the U of A, BCIT 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). She is a frequent speaker on environmental and other legal issues and has made presentations to a diverse range of groups in BC and internationally.

ROBERT GERATH

Bob Gerath is an engineering geologist and the owner of Qcd Geotechnics in North Vancouver. He holds an MSc in geomorphology from McGill University and has over 30 years of professional experience in western and northern Canada. His work involves geologic site assessments for engineering projects, geologic hazard mapping and hazard and risk evaluations for land owners and permitting agencies. His publications deal with glacial geology, landslides, public perceptions of geologic hazards and BC professional practice issues. He was the 2003 recipient of the C J. Westerman Memorial Presidential Award in Geoscience presented by the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC.

R.A. (AL) GORLEY

Al Gorley is a Registered Professional Forester and President of Triangle Resources Incorporated, a small consulting firm based in Victoria, BC. Born in Burns Lake, BC, Mr. Gorley lived in small communities throughout Northern BC, including Queen Charlotte City, Kitwanga, Terrace, Prince Rupert, Lower Post, Ootsa Lake and Smithers. During 26 years with the BC Forest Service, his duties included being the District Manager at Houston (Morice District), Regional Manager at Prince George, and Assistant Deputy Minister. Mr. Gorley also worked with Forest Renewal BC for three years, and was the Chief Operating Officer there from 2000 to 2002. Mr. Gorley has served Chair of the Northwest Community College Board of Directors, and as President of the Association of BC Professional Foresters.

JAMES HACKETT

Mr. Hackett holds a B.Sc. in Forestry (1978) and a M.Sc. in Forest Economics (1989), both obtained from UBC. He has been a registered professional forester (BC) since 1981. In 1996, Mr. Hackett became a consulting forester, and has worked for D.R. systems and the Sterling Wood Group. He now operates his own practice, specializing in forestry economics and policy issues, timber pricing and timber supply analysis. Previously Mr. Hackett worked for two major BC coastal forest product firms in various analytical and managerial positions.

LYNNE HUESTIS

Lynne Huestis is employed by the Federal Department of Justice as Counsel in the Treaty Negotiation Office. Ms. Huestis' area of practice includes aboriginal law and environmental and natural resource law. She has served as a consultant for the BC provincial government and the federal government. She has acted as tribunal counsel for the Ministry of Attorney General and the Ministry of Environment, Land and Parks. Ms. Huestis is a published author and has received a number of awards for her work in the Department of Justice. Ms. Huestis holds a Bachelor of Arts from the University of Victoria and a Bachelor of Law from the University of Ottawa.

KATHERINE LEWIS

Associate Professor in Ecosystem Science Management at the University of Northern British Columbia. B.S.F. degree from UBC in 1983, M.Sc. in Forest Pathology from Virginia Polytech in 1985, and PhD in Forest Pathology from Oregon State University in 1990. Kathy has been a RPF since 1988 and currently serves on the Board of Examiners of the Association of Professional Foresters. She was awarded Forester-of-the-Year in 1996. She is co-chair of the Board of Directors for the John Prince Research Forest, jointly managed between UNBC and the Tl'azt'en Nation. Her past work experience includes three years with

a forestry consulting company, and two years as Regional Pathologist for the Ministry of Forests.

PAUL E. LOVE

Mr. Love is the sole practitioner of Paul E. Love, Arbitrator, Mediator, Trial Lawyer Law Corporation. He is trained in mediation, commercial, labour and international commercial arbitration. He is a member of the Law Society of British Columbia, International Law and Labour Law Subsection of the Canadian Bar Association (BC Branch), Arbitrators Association of British Columbia, International Bar Association, London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA) and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK). He also acts as a trial lawyer in civil litigation matters. Mr. Love holds a LLB from the University of Victoria. He is a Governor for the Law Foundation of BC and past President of the Nanaimo County Bar Association and the past Chair of the Downtown Campbell River Business Improvement Area.

DAVID ORMEROD

David Ormerod obtained B.S.F and M.F. degrees from the University of British Columbia, and has extensive experience as a professional forester in BC and abroad. Since 1985 he has managed an independent consulting practice, encompassing work in forest regulation policy, timberland inventory, investment and valuation, log inventory and forestry information systems. He is a past director and president of the Society of Consulting Foresters of BC, and is a director of the Association of BC Professional Foresters. He has been a member of the Forest Appeals Commission since 1996.

GARY ROBINSON

Mr. Robinson is the Principal of Robinson Consulting and Associates in Victoria. Prior to this, Mr. Robinson was the Director of Policy in the Ministry of Minerals and Energy for the Government of Papua New Guinea. Mr. Robinson holds a BA from the University of Washington and a Master of Arts in Economics from the University of BC.

DAVID SEARLE, C.M., Q.C.

David H. Searle joined Fasken Martineau as a partner in 2001 and has assumed a leading role in the firm's environmental and mining practices. Mr. Searle practiced law in Yellowknife from 1962 until 1981. He was a Crown attorney until 1967 and then was elected Speaker of the Assembly. From 1981 to 2001, Mr. Searle practiced mainly mining and environmental law with Davis & Company in Vancouver. Mr. Searle has extensive experience in environmental assessment and permitting of major projects, most recently related to the Ekati Mine, Canada's first diamond mine, and hydro-electric facilities, most recently the renewal of the Aishihik facility for Yukon Energy Corporation. He also works in the area of mine closure and reclamation. He regularly appears before the Boards in all three territories that conduct environmental assessments and issue water licences and land use permits and has extensive experience in British Columbia before administrative tribunals. He was Adjunct Professor, University of British Columbia, Faculty of Law, 1991 to June 30, 1996 and from July 1, 1997 to 2004. Mr. Searle is the founding President of the Law Society of the Northwest Territories. He is a recipient of the Long Service Medal, the Medal of Merit and the Silver Acorn from Scouts Canada and is a Member of the Order of Canada.

DAVID J. THOMAS

David Thomas is the President and Chairman of the AXYS Group of Companies. The AXYS Group of companies specializes in advanced technology products and services. The Axys Group includes the following companies; AXYS Environmental Consulting, AXYS Analytical Services, AXYS Technologies Inc. and Seastar Chemicals Inc. Mr. Thomas is a Member of the Chemical Institute of Canada and he holds a Master of Science from UBC.

ROBERT WICKETT

Robert Wickett is a Partner with MacKenzie Fujisawa Law Corporation. Previously, Mr. Wickett was an Associate Lawyer with Russell and DuMoulin and Evans Goldstein and Company. He holds both a Bachelor of Commerce and Law from the University of BC. He is a member of the Law Society of BC and the Canadian Bar Association. Mr. Wickett is an active contributor to the Continuing Legal Education Society.

STEPHEN V.H. WILLETT

Mr. Willett is a retired professional forester. He has served in various positions in the forest and resource management industry including the government and private positions. He held positions with MacMillan, Bloedel and Powell River Limited as well as the Ministry of Forests and the Ministry of Environment, Lands and Parks. Mr. Willett holds a Bachelor of Science in Forestry from UBC. He is a Member of the Association of BC Professional Foresters, now retired.

PHILIP WONG

Obtained a B.A.Sc. in Civil Engineering in 1977 and a M.A.Sc. in Environmental Engineering in 1980, both degrees from UBC. Registered Professional Engineer in the Association of Professional engineers and Geoscientists of BC and is currently on the Board of the BC Water and Waste Association. Presently employed by Environment Canada as Senior Program Engineer responsible for municipal discharges including sewage, urban stormwater, combined sewer overflows and solid waste management.

J.A. (ALEX) WOOD

Alex Wood is a Principal at Kerr Wood Leidal Associates Ltd. The company provides consulting engineering services in infrastructure and resource management to government, industry and First Nations. Mr. Wood holds a Bachelor of Applied Science in Engineering from UBC. He has over 30 years experience as an engineer in private and government positions. Mr. Wood is a Member of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC, the American Water Works Association and he is Past President of the BC Water and Waste Association.