

Biography

Nathalie Baker is a litigator practicing primarily in the area of municipal law. She has a particular interest in land use matters and issues of procedural fairness and represents landowners, developers, citizens groups and business owners on wide range of local government matters arising under the Local Government Act, the Community Charter and the Vancouver Charter.

Nathalie has represented clients in the Provincial Court of British Columbia on bylaw prosecution matters, in the Supreme Court of British Columbia on applications for judicial review and in the Court of Appeal. She also has experience before administrative tribunals, including the Board of Variance.

The daughter of former City of Vancouver councillor and well respected municipal lawyer, Jonathan Baker, she has had an interest in this area of law since well before she started practicing with her father in 2002.

Representative Matters

- Counsel for the Petitioner in an application for judicial review of a decision to refuse a building permit. The Petitioner's application was allowed.
- Counsel for the Respondent in application for judicial review of a decision of the Vancouver Board of Variance. The Petitioner's application was dismissed.
- Counsel for the Petitioners on an application for judicial review of a decision to rezone certain lands. The application was allowed. An application by the respondent to have the matter reconsidered was dismissed.
- Counsel for the Petitioner on an application for judicial review of a decision of an approving officer imposing conditions on a subdivision approval. The Petition was allowed and the matter was remitted back to the approving officer.

Association & Memberships

- Member of the Law Society of British Columbia
- Member of L'Association Des Juristes D'expression Francaise de la Colombie Britannique.



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Practice Areas

Administrative & Municipal Law

Education

LL.B, University of Western Ontario (2001)
Bachelor of Arts (French Literature),
University of Victoria (1997)

Bar Locations

British Columbia (2002)

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Events/Speaking

- “Follow the Money: Corruption, Money Laundering and Organized Crime”, International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy (October 28, 2016)
- “Integrity in Local Government: Mitigating the Risks of Conflicts of Interest, Fraud and Corruption”, International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy (March, 2016)
- “Financing Urban Growth”, CLEBC, (2008)

Publications

- A paper setting out possible legal challenges to local government decisions and best practices for decision makers.
- Contributing author of the British Columbia Real Estate Development Practice Manual.

Community Involvement

- Volunteer at Access Pro Bono (French Clinic)