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Sean is a Partner with Harper Grey and chairs our Aviation Law Group. Sean has been listed as one of the “Best Lawyers in Canada” in aviation law since 2009.

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EXPERTISE

Aviation
Health Law
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Professional Regulation

Sean has acted on behalf of aviation insurers, airlines, aircraft owners, aircraft operators, airports as well as aircraft maintenance and repair facilities. He also advises insurers and their insureds on a variety of issues including liability and coverage disputes. Sean’s administrative law practice focuses on the representation and defence of medical professionals. He also maintains a general civil litigation practice, with a special focus on appellate work.

Sean has argued cases in the BC Supreme Court, the BC Court of Appeal as well as the Federal Court of Canada.

EXPERIENCE

AVIATION LAW

- Representing airlines and operators in hull loss subrogated actions
- Representing airports in personal injury and property damage liability cases
- Representing aircraft owners, operators and manufacturers in personal injury claims and wrongful death claims advanced under the British Columbia *Family Compensation Act*
- Representing airlines in personal injury and cargo cases, including claims advanced under the Warsaw and Montréal Conventions
- Occupiers’ Liability cases (acting for both plaintiffs and defendants)
- Successful appeal regarding a document alleged to be privileged under the *Canadian Transportation Accident Investigation and Safety Board Act*

PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

- Assisting medical professionals with a wide variety of regulatory complaints as well as human rights cases and hearings before the BC Human Rights Tribunal
- Successful appeal regarding an administrative decision to revoke a Guide Outfitter’s outfitting concession

CREDENTIALS

EDUCATION

- University of Alberta, LL.B., 1997
- Simon Fraser University, B.A., 1994

- Simon Fraser University, B.Sc., 1991

BAR ADMISSION

- British Columbia, 1998

LEADERSHIP

- Chair, Harper Grey Aviation Law Group
- Speaker, CHC Helicopters Safety Summit, 2011

MEMBERSHIP

- Member, The Law Society of British Columbia
- Member, Canadian Bar Association, BC Branch Subsections:
 - Aviation Law

RECOGNITION

Recognized as a "Leading Lawyer" in the area of Aviation Law by Best Lawyers® in Canada, 2009 - 2019

Rated as a "Repeatedly Recommended Leading Practitioner" in the area of Aviation (Regulation & Liability) by the Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory®, 2017-2019

SELECT EVENTS + PRESENTATIONS

Sean Taylor to present at the 8th Annual McGill Conference on International Aviation Liability & Insurance.

Presentation Date: 17.Apr.15

Presented by: W. Sean Taylor

Harper Grey hosts annual Insurance Law Seminar – “Summer Fun...And What Potentially Can Go Wrong”

Event Date: 23.May.14

Presented by: Aaron D. Atkinson, Jennifer R. Woznesensky, Kara L. Hill, Nigel L. Trevethan*, Steven Abramson*, W. Sean Taylor

Sean Taylor to sit as panelist at CHC Safety & Quality Summit

Presentation Date: 23.Mar.11

Presented by: W. Sean Taylor

SELECT NEWS

Harper Grey receives 48 rankings from Best Lawyers® in Canada 2020

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