

BIO for GEORGIALEE LANG BA JD

Georgialee Lang graduated from the University of British Columbia Law School (UBCLS) in Vancouver, Canada in 1988. She spent a year as a law clerk in the Superior Courts and then articulated with blue-chip law firm Ladner Downs, now Borden Ladner Gervais.

As a new associate she asked her firm principal if she could start a new practice area for the firm, dealing with estate litigation and family law. With the firm's support she established a new practice group for Ladner Downs.

After five years she left Ladner Downs and opened her own law firm, Georgialee Lang & Associates, which grew quickly from one lawyer and two staff, to five lawyers and seven staff.

With an intense passion for the law she is a leader in the profession, named by "Best Lawyers in Canada", "Lexpert" and "Martindale Hubbell" for her skill in family litigation.

Georgialee's career path was enhanced by her leadership roles in bar activities including the Canadian Bar Association (CBA), the Lawyer's Benevolent Fund, the UBCLS Alumni Association, Legal Services Society, the Supreme Court of Canada Advocacy Institute, Court of Appeal Pro Bono Coordinator, and Continuing Legal Education.

Georgialee is a prolific writer having published dozens of articles on estate and family law topics for Continuing Legal Education, The Lawyers Weekly, Canadian Bar Review, The Advocate, Trial Lawyers Association, Pacific Business and Law Institute, and newspapers across Canada.

She is also a regular speaker and media commentator for Canada's national television networks, radio and print media. She has participated as a commentator and lawyer in several legal education videos, including one for the National Judges Conference.

As a law professor at UBCLS for six years, she mentored a number of students and employed several as summer students in her law firm.

Georgialee has been counsel in hundreds of cases both at the trial and appellate levels. A highlight in her career is her two appearances in the Supreme Court of Canada in 2008 and 2009. She is also a certified mediator and holds a CIArb designation from the Chartered Arbitrators Institute (UK), training at the ABA Arbitration Institute in 2011.

Georgialee initiated a free legal clinic in East Vancouver in March 2005, personally providing legal advice and information to 10 to 12 clients every month.

Georgialee's blog "lawdiva.wordpress.com" has thousands of visitors every month from all over the world. She writes on interesting and quirky legal scenarios focusing on criminal law, white-collar crime, lawyers, judges and family law. Her blog was named Best Canadian Legal Blog in 2010.