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Personal Overview/ Professional Philosophy

Robert G. (Bob) McBean is an experienced arbitrator and mediator who has been active in the alternative dispute resolution field for over 25 years. Bob was awarded the designations of *Chartered Mediator (C.Med)* in 2000 and *Chartered Arbitrator (C.Arb)* in 2017. In addition, Bob has been a practicing lawyer in Edmonton since 1978.

Bob has conducted numerous arbitrations both as sole arbitrator and panel chair. These include diverse matters such as municipality/developer disputes and construction, commercial, lease, and partnership disputes. Mr. McBean has also been retained on many occasions by the City and contractors as independent Referee in construction matters.

Bob is active in the alternative dispute resolution community. He is a member of the ADR Institute of Canada (ADRIC), the ADR Institute of Alberta (ADRIA), a past director of the Mediation and Restorative Justice Centre (MRJC), and a past chair of the ADR Section (Northern Alberta) of the Canadian Bar Association. He has been recognized in the *Best Lawyers in Canada* directory and in the field of alternative dispute resolution for many years, up to and including 2019.

Arbitration Experience

The following is a sample of relevant cases in which Mr. McBean has been retained as Arbitrator or Referee:

- Arbitrator of a dispute between a Municipality and Developer with respect to alleged breaches of Development Agreement (3 cases in 2018, 2016 & 2012);
- Arbitrator of a dispute between Alberta Transportation and a Contractor with respect to construction of Highway (2018);

- Referee of a dispute between City and Contractor with respect to the legal interpretation of a Contract related to Change Order Requests and claims for Extras (2018);
- Arbitrator of a dispute between a County and a Contractor arising out of water and sewer replacement pursuant to Unit Price Contract (matter settled prior to Hearing) (2017/18);
- Referee of a dispute between Alberta Transportation and a Joint Venture Contractor with respect to the construction of highway pursuant to a Design, Build, Finance and Operate (DBFO) Agreement (2016);
- Referee of a dispute between the City and a Contractor with respect to the legal interpretation of the Contract and whether the Contract properly interpreted delegated the design of a metal panel wall system to the Contractor (2015);
- Referee of a dispute between the City and a Contractor with respect to Contractor's claim for additional compensation as a result of unforeseen subsurface soil conditions during the construction of a retaining wall (2010);
- Referee of a dispute between the City and a Contractor with respect to whether the Contractor was entitled to additional costs as a result of alleged delay in the supply of certain materials with respect to the remediation of bridge (2011);

Training

- 1976 Bachelor of Arts; Bachelor of Laws; (University of Saskatchewan)
- 2000 Certificate Program in Conflict Management (ADRIA)
- 2007 Certificate Program in Arbitration (ADRIA)

Professional Associations

- ADR Institute of Alberta
- ADR Institute of Canada
- Law Society of Alberta
- Law Society of Northwest Territories
- Law Society of Nunavut

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