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EDUCATION

University of Alberta, LL.M., in progress

Royal Military College of Canada, MPA,
2021

University of Calgary, JD, 2019

Royal Roads University, MA, 2015

University of Alberta, BA, 2008

BAR ADMISSIONS

Alberta, 2020

Jeffrey has a broad litigation practice with experience as lead counsel on a variety of matters including privacy, human rights, professional discipline and civil and criminal litigation.

He has appeared before numerous commissions and tribunals, mainly on matters of public law, as well as the Alberta Court of Justice and the Court of Kings Bench of Alberta on injunctions, judicial reviews, and other commercial matters.

Before becoming an associate at Bennett Jones, Jeffrey acted as a litigation lawyer for the Chief of Police of a major Canadian police service. As an operational police officer before that, he conducted, managed, and led sensitive investigations. His combined experience has made him a pragmatic problem solver and he enjoys meeting challenges from all angles. He believes that diverse perspectives build better, more sustainable solutions.

Jeffrey has maintained a Project Management Professional (PMP) designation since 2014. He has led or initiated several effective and sustainable change management processes for government and non-profit organizations. He continues to use legal project management (LPM) to assist with complex client matters involving substantial reputational risk.

Jeffrey is an active, contributing member of the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) and Canadian Association of Chiefs of Police (CACP), and remains up to date with operational and legal developments in the policing industry worldwide. He has advised or assisted police agencies and police officers with legal matters across Canada. With both practical experience and an academic interest in public law generally, he also maintains membership with the International Society of Public Law.

Jeffrey has over 11 years' experience as a board director for several non-profits. He presently sits on the Board of Directors for Alberta Lung, and is a non-bencher member of the Law Society of Alberta's EDI committee. He was recognized by the Edmonton Pride Society in 2012 for "making significant contributions to the safety, security and understanding of the LGBTQ+ community" and is a recipient of the Canadian Forces Decoration, the Alberta Emergency Services Medal and the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Medal.