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Biography

Andrew was born in Vancouver of parents who had immigrated to Canada from Poland. All of his education was obtained in Vancouver. Andrew speaks Polish as well as English and is active within the Polish community. His commitment to multiculturalism has enabled him to represent clients from all over the world. Since his call to the Bar in 1978, Andrew has practiced as a barrister and solicitor. He has served as a member of the Immigration Appeal Board (1986 to 1989) and as Assistant Deputy Chair of the Immigration Appeal Division, Immigration and Refugee Board (1989 to 1993).

Preferred Areas of Practice

Immigration, refugee, citizenship and customs law including:

- Applications for permanent residence in Canada under the independent, family and business categories
- Applications under various categories of the Provincial Nominee Program
- Applications for positive labour market opinions from Service Canada and work and study permits and visitor visas
- Applications for Permanent Resident cards and Canadian citizenship
- Litigation before all Divisions of the Immigration and Refugee Board in immigration inquiries, detention reviews, immigration appeals from removal orders and sponsorship appeals and refugee claims
- Litigation before the Federal Court of Canada and Supreme Court of Canada on immigration, citizenship, refugee and customs matters