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Douglas W. Judson maintains a legal practice that serves clients across Canada from an office in northwestern Ontario. He primarily assists clients with civil litigation, human rights, corporate governance, and municipal matters.

Doug began his practice with the litigation department of a leading Canadian law firm. He has worked with the in-house legal teams of two financial institutions, held posts in the federal public service in Ottawa, served as a per diem Crown Attorney, and worked in economic development, health, and justice programming for various First Nation organizations. Doug started his professional career on Parliament Hill, as an aide to two former MPs. He currently holds office as a municipal councillor in the Town of Fort Frances.

Doug is active in his community and profession. He currently serves on the boards of the Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre, the Northwest Community Legal Clinic, and Borderland Pride. He is also currently the chair of the Federation of Ontario Law Associations. He has previously served on the executive of the Ontario Bar Association's sexual orientation and gender identity section, on the Law Society of Ontario's Equity Advisory Group, as president of the Law Students' Society of Ontario, and on the board of Start Proud, a non-profit serving LGBTQ2 students and young professionals.

Doug is a graduate of the JD/MBA program at Osgoode Hall Law School and the Schulich School of Business, and holds degrees in political science and commerce from the University of Ottawa. He has also studied at Lakehead University, the London School of Economics, Monash University (at Prato, Italy), and the Hebrew University of Jerusalem.

Doug was recognized as a 2014 "Newsmaker" by the Law Times. He has received the Canadian Bar Association's Edward K. Rowan-Legg Award (2015), the Osgoode Dean's Gold Key Award (2015), and the Borden Ladner Gervais Professional Excellence Award (2012). For 2020/21, he was selected as an Action Canada fellow. His writing has appeared in legal industry and other publications.

Doug lives in Fort Frances with his partner, Peter Howie, who practices criminal and family law.

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