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EDUCATION

McGill University, BEng, 2000, with distinction

University of British Columbia, MASc, 2003

Dalhousie University, LLB, 2006, dean's list

University of Cambridge (UK), LLM, 2009, first class honours

BAR ADMISSIONS

Ontario, 2008 (inactive)

Alberta, 2009

Wesley Novotny provides tax advice on a wide range of corporate and personal tax matters. Wes has extensive experience in advising clients in disputes with the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA), having managed large and complex corporate and personal CRA audits. He has also successfully represented clients through the CRA appeals process as well as before the Tax Court of Canada. He also has experience assisting clients with voluntary disclosures and in dealing with CRA collections.

Wes also has provided tax and pension benefits standards advice to Canadian pension funds.

He also provides advice on questions of resource taxation, including flow-through shares, as well as farm taxation and reorganizations of farm businesses.

Wes is a past director and past president of the Canadian Petroleum Tax Society, and a member of the Canadian Tax Foundation.

Wes clerked for Madame Justice Alice Desjardins and Mr. Justice Robert Déary of the Federal Court of Appeal from 2007 to 2008. Wes attended McGill University as a Loran Scholar. He continues to be involved with the Loran Scholars Foundation and has served as the Southern Alberta co-Administrator and Administrator for the Loran selection process since 2009.

Wes is a member of the Advisory Board of the Canadian Employee Ownership Coalition, providing submissions to the Department of Finance regarding their legislative proposals for Employee Ownership Trusts. He is a past director and past president of the Canadian Petroleum Tax Society, and a member of the Canadian Tax Foundation.