

Justice James G. Edmond

Justice Edmond was appointed to the Manitoba Court of Appeal on August 24, 2023. He was appointed to the Manitoba Court of King's Bench (General Division) on October 1, 2013.

Prior to his appointments, he practiced for 31 years with Thompson Dorfman Sweatman LLP (TDS) in the areas of civil litigation and construction law, specializing in insurance and construction litigation. He acted as counsel on a variety of commercial litigation matters and appeared in courts in Manitoba and across Canada.

Justice Edmond was co-chair of the TDS Litigation Practice Group and chair emeritus and member of the Lex Mundi Insurance/Reinsurance Practice Group. Lex Mundi is an international association of law firms. He was selected by his peers for inclusion in The Best Lawyers in Canada in the specialties of Insurance and Construction Law over several years before he was appointed to the bench and recognized as the "2014 Lawyer of the Year in Winnipeg for Construction Law".

Since being appointed, he presided over cases in criminal, constitutional and civil law; sat on the Commercial List presiding over commercial bankruptcy and insolvency matters; and was the supervising judge for Manitoba pursuant to the Indian Residential Schools Settlement Agreement.

Justice Edmond was elected by his colleagues to act as the Manitoba director of the Canadian Superior Court Judges Association (CSCJA), which represents the interests of superior court judges across Canada. He continues to sit on committees with the CSCJA. He was chair of the Statutory Rules Committee, a joint committee of the bench and bar responsible for all amendments to the Court of King's Bench Rules. He is presently a member of the Court of Appeal Rules Committee.

He has been a frequent presenter and lecturer for the Law Society of Manitoba, the Manitoba Bar Association and the National Judicial Institute. He was the co-chair of the 2020 Isaac Pitblado Lectures entitled: "Virtually Everything You Need to Know About Advocacy". He was a presenter on a panel in February 2023 at a seminar for the National Judicial Institute on current bankruptcy and insolvency issues entitled "Law and Order: Insolvencies' - Case Studies".