



# Austin Ward, Lawyer

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## Overview

Austin Ward is a lawyer whose practice focuses on intellectual property matters, labour and employment law, and general dispute resolution. He has experience representing clients in all levels of Court in Alberta and in the Federal Court of Canada. Austin prides himself on being an effective negotiator and shrewd advocate for his clients - both inside and outside the courtroom.

Austin advises individuals and small start-up businesses to large corporations on a wide variety of issues, including:

- Protecting and enforcing intellectual property rights
- Patent, trademark, and copyright disputes
- Obtaining and resisting applications for urgent injunctive relief
- Entertainment law issues
- Internet-based disputes, including defamation cases and obtaining Norwich Orders to identify anonymous wrongdoers
- Employee discipline and termination
- Workplace human rights complaints

Austin's client-focused practice is centred on his communication and problem-solving skills. Where possible, Austin prefers a collaborative approach to dispute resolution so that he can determine the most practical and cost-effective solution for his clients.

## Value to Clients

*"I view the practice of law as the ultimate service industry. Getting to know my clients and their businesses personally helps me understand their goals and priorities so that I can provide the best advice possible. I prefer phone calls to emails and like to meet in person whenever possible."*

## Outside the Office

When Austin isn't checking out new restaurants and local breweries, he enjoys travelling and exploring the West Coast and Rocky Mountains with his partner and golden retriever, Yuki.

## Experience

R v Rapicon Inc., 2019 ABPC 98

Sunshine Village Corporation v Boehnisch, 2021 ABQB 63

Sunshine Village Corporation v Boehnisch, 2020 ABQB 692

## Services

Intellectual Property + Technology  
IP Litigation  
Trademarks  
Labour + Employment  
Copyright  
Litigation  
Privacy + Data Management

## Education

University of Calgary, 2018, Juris Doctor  
University of British Columbia, 2014, Bachelor of Science

## Admissions

Alberta, 2019

## Professional

Intellectual Property Institute of Canada (IPIC)

**Member**

2022 - Present

Canadian Bar Association Alberta, Intellectual Property & Technology (South)

**Executive Committee Member**

2020 - Present

## Recognition

Labour + Employment Law, Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Canada™: 2024

## News + Views + Events

February 2024

[2023 - A Year in Review: Labour + Employment \(Part 2\)](#)

December 2023 - 3 min read

[‘Tis the Season to be Jolly... But be Careful!](#)

June 13, 2023

[Coffee + Counsel: Common Pitfalls to Avoid with Employment Contracts](#)

February 2023

[The Importance of Clear Language in Employment Contracts](#)

February 2023

[2022 - A Year in Review: Labour + Employment \(Part 2\)](#)