

## Chair of the Board of Directors – Robert Piasentin



Robert Piasentin brings extensive experience in law, business, governance, negotiation and consulting. He is a trusted advisor, developing and implementing high-level strategies across all industries and verticals. He has contributed to the development and growth of new and challenged business around the world, notably in Canada, the United States and England.

Robert is a partner with McMillan LLP, a national law firm, and heads the firm's Vancouver Technology Law practice. He works with all types of business clients advising them on the development, growth and protection of their businesses and their corresponding technology assets.

Prior to joining McMillan LLP, Robert was the General Counsel, Corporate Secretary and Privacy Officer with Sierra Systems, an NTT DATA Company, a full-service IT consulting firm with offices and business throughout Canada and North America. Robert began his career at the Vancouver office of a national law firm, practicing corporate/commercial law in the technology space before moving to England, where he worked as senior counsel to one of the largest sports retailers and brand owners in Europe.

Robert is a founding member of both the Association of Corporate Counsel – BC Chapter and the St. Thomas More Catholic Lawyers Guild of British Columbia. He also sits on the Board and serves as the Secretary of the Red Resort Association and is a Board member and the Umpire-In-Chief for Coquitlam Little League and was a coach of the Coquitlam Little League Major All Stars team who won the 2019 Canadian Championships and represented Canada at the 2019 Little League World Series in Williamsport, PA, USA.

In 2013, Robert was named one of *Business in Vancouver's* Top Forty Under 40, and in 2014 received one of the Association of Corporate Counsel's Top 30-Somethings awards. Robert graduated from the University of British Columbia with a BA in Political Science, the University of Toronto Faculty of Law with an LLB, and the University of London, Queen Mary and Westfield College (England) with an LLM. He is a member of the bar in both British Columbia and England and Wales.

Robert is the current Chair of the Society's Board and is involved with the *Breakfast to Remember Vancouver* Organizing Committee.