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### ***Biography***

George White is an experienced lawyer meeting business and individual needs for over 45 years. His experience includes start-ups, acquisitions, mergers, joint ventures, shareholder agreements, business succession and corporate re-organizations. George has provided governance advice to corporate and co-operative boards.

George also assists clients with trust and estate planning including Wills, alter ego trusts, family trusts, spousal trusts, testamentary trusts and tax planned corporate reorganizations. He is a Registered Trust & Estate Practitioner STEP. He is frequently honored for achievement by his peers and ranking organizations and is recognized by The Best Lawyers™ in Canada for Trusts and Estates and Corporate Law. George lives in Truro and Toney River, Pictou County.

### ***Experience***

- Business and corporate/commercial transactions and planning
- Board governance
- Trust and estate planning
- Commissioner for Inquiry into Remuneration of Provincial Elected Officials
- Legal Counsel and Secretary to the Royal Commission on Health Care (NS)
- Former Managing Partner, Patterson Law

### ***Recognition***

- Appointed Queen's Counsel, 1998
- Martindale-Hubbel AV® Preeminent™ rated lawyer, a testament to the fact that his peers and clients rank him at the highest level of professional excellence
- *Lexpert's Canadian Legal Directory*, consistently named as a Leading Practitioner
- *Best Lawyers™ in Canada*: recognized for Trusts and Estates and Corporate Law since 2018

### ***Areas of Law***

Corporate and Commercial  
Estate Planning, Wills and  
Trusts  
Succession Planning  
Tax Law

- *Chambers Canada*: recognized in Corporate/Commercial (Canada) category - in Atlantic Canada, since 2019

### ***Associations and Memberships***

- Nova Scotia Barristers` Society
- Canadian Bar Association
- Canadian Tax Foundation
- Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners
- ADR Institute
- Past Chair, CBA Business Law Section (NS)

### ***Community Involvement***

- Board of Directors and Executive Committee, Truro & Colchester Chamber of Commerce
- Board of Trustees, First United Church
- Commissioner, Elections Commission of Nova Scotia

### ***Publications and Speaking Engagements***

- Drafting Comprehensive Shareholders' Agreements (CBA): Shareholder Agreements – Getting Past the Standard Form (CBA)
- Asset Purchase Transactions (CBA)
- Personal Property Security Act (CLE NS)
- All About Trusts (Patterson Law)

### ***Education and Bar Admissions***

- LL.B. (Dalhousie University, 1974)
- B.Comm. First Class Honours and University Medal in Commerce (Dalhousie University, 1970)
- Bar Admission: Nova Scotia, 1975
- Mediation Workshop, Dalhousie: 2005
- Registered Member of Society of Trust & Estate Practitioners 2006