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Craig Jones is associate counsel with Branch MacMaster LLP. He has a litigation and consultation practice focussing on public law and class actions. He authored *Theory of Class Actions*, a leading text in the field, and has appeared as counsel in a number of significant constitutional cases, public inquiries and reporting commissions, and judicial reviews.

Prior to joining Branch MacMaster, Craig was Supervising Counsel of the Constitutional and Administrative Law Group in the B.C. Ministry of Justice, and before that he was a partner at Bull, Housser & Tupper.

He holds a tenured faculty position at Thompson Rivers University, where he teaches torts, constitutional law, and legal ethics & professional conduct. He is a frequent lecturer on topics of tort, class actions, and constitutional law in British Columbia and across Canada.

Areas of Practice

- Class Actions
- Constitutional Law
- Public Law
- Judicial Reviews
- Consultation and opinion work

Education

- LLM Harvard Law School (2002)
- LLB University of British Columbia (1998)
- BGS Thompson Rivers University (1997)



Awards

- Queen's Counsel, 2011
- Distinguished Alumnus Award, Thompson Rivers University, 2007

Counsel Work

- Lead counsel for Attorney General of B.C. in a number of cases including the Polygamy Reference, the Insite Safe Injection Site appeals, and the Taser International challenge to the Braidwood Inquiry
- Lead counsel for the Attorney General of B.C. in the Braidwood (Taser) Inquiry and the Oppal (Missing Women) Inquiry
- Counsel to Commissioner/Conciliator Thomas Berger, O.C., Q.C. in the Vancouver Electoral Reform Commission and Nunavut Land Claims Conciliation

Selected Book Publications

- 2012 Craig Jones, *A Cruel Arithmetic* (Toronto: Irwin Law Book, 2012)
- 2005 Jamie Cassels & Craig Jones, *The Law of Large Scale Claims: Products Liability, Toxic Torts and Complex Litigation in Canada* (Toronto: Irwin Law Book, 2005)
- 2003 Craig Jones, *Theory of Class Actions* [with foreword by David Rosenberg] (Toronto: Irwin Law Book, 2003)

Articles & Book Chapters

- 2011 Craig Jones, "Reasoning Through Probabilistic Causation in Individual and Aggregate Claims: The Struggle Continues" (2011) 39 Adv. Q. 18
- 2007 Craig Jones, "The Attorney General's Standing to Seek Relief in the Public Interest: The Evolving Doctrine of Parens Patriae" (2007) 86 Can. Bar. Rev. 121
- 2007 Angela Baxter and Craig Jones, "The Class Action and Public Authority Liability: 'Preferability Re-Examined'" (2007) 57 U.N.B.L.J. 27
- 2007 Craig Jones, "New Solitudes: Recent Decisions Call into Question the "National Class" (2007) 45 Can. Bus. L.J. 47
- 2006 Craig Jones, "Litigating Conspiracy" (Book Review) (2006) 44 Can. Bus. L.J. 1
- 2006 Angela Baxter and Craig Jones, "Fumbling Toward Efficacy: National Classes after Currie v. McDonald's" (2006) 3 Can. Class Action R. 86



- 2005 Craig Jones, “The Class Action in Common Law Legal Systems: A Comparative Perspective” (Book Review), (2005) 2 Can. Class Action R. 216
- 2004 Craig Jones, “The Case for the National Class”, (2004) 1 Can. Class Action R. 29
- 2004 Jamie Cassels and Craig Jones, “Rethinking Ends and Means in Mass Tort: Probabilistic Causation and Risk-Based Mass Tort Claims after Fairchild v. Glenhaven Funeral Services” (2003) 82 Can. Bar. Rev. 597
- 2002 Craig Jones, “Fixing to Sue: Does the Government Have a Legal Duty to Establish Safe Injection Facilities in British Columbia?” (2002) 35 U.B.C. L. Rev. 391
- 2002 Craig Jones and John Kleefeld, “Whiten v. Pilot: Safe Harbour for Punitive Damages in Contract?” (Case Comment) (2002) 60 The Advocate 507
- 2000 Craig Jones, “The Partial Commencement of Acts: A Constitutional Criticism of the Lieutenant Governor-in-Councils’ ‘Line-Item Veto’ Power”, (2000) V Rev. Const. Studies 172.
- 2000 Elliott M. Myers and Craig Jones, “Coping with the “National Class”: Corporate Response to Canadian ‘Multi-Jurisdictional’ Class Actions,” North American Corporate Lawyer, Spring 1999
- 1998 Craig Jones, “The Spoliation Doctrine and Expert Evidence in Civil Trials” (1998) 32 U.B.C. L. Rev. 293