

Curriculum Vitae

Robert Norris Chambers

Professor and Department Chair
Thompson Rivers University Faculty of Law
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ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

1996 D.Phil. (University of Oxford)
1988 LL.B. (University of Alberta)
1980 B.Ed. (University of Alberta)

UNIVERSITY APPOINTMENTS

Thompson Rivers University (TRU) Faculty of Law

2018 — Professor
2022 — Department Chair

King's College London School of Law

2015-18 Professor of Private Law
2006-08 Professor of Law

University College London (UCL) Faculty of Laws

2008-15 Professor of Property Law
2009-12 Vice Dean (Education)

University of Alberta Faculty of Law

2004-06 Professor
1999-2004 Associate Professor
2002 Associate Dean (Graduate Studies & Research)

University of Melbourne Faculty of Law

1998 Senior Lecturer
1996-97 Lecturer

Visiting Fellowships, Lectureships, and Professorships

2022, 2020 McGill University Faculty of Law
2019, 2017 University of Melbourne Law School
2016 National University of Singapore Faculty of Law
2012, 1991 University of Alberta Faculty of Law
2011, 2004 University of Auckland Faculty of Law
2010 University of Western Ontario Faculty of Law
1999 Niigata University Law Faculty (Japan)

OTHER APPOINTMENTS

- 2017-18 Chair, Notaries' Qualification Board
Faculty Office of the Archbishop of Canterbury
- 1989-92 Barrister and Solicitor, Reynolds, Mirth, Richards & Farmer
Edmonton, Alberta
- 1989 Articled Clerk for Sir Francis Price, Bt, QC
Reynolds, Mirth, Richards & Farmer, Barristers & Solicitors
- 1988-89 Articled Clerk for Madam Justice Marguerite Trussler
Court of Queen's Bench of Alberta
- 1987 Research Assistant, Alberta Law Reform Institute
- 1986 Legal Aid Officer, Legal Aid Society of Alberta
- 1984-85 Teacher, Keheewin Elementary School, Edmonton, Alberta
- 1981-84 Teacher, Pakan Elementary School, Goodfish Lake, Alberta

ASSOCIATIONS

- 2022 — Thompson Rivers University Law Review: faculty advisor
- 2008 — Trust Law International (UK): editorial board
- 2006 — Journal of Equity (Australia): editorial board
- 2003 — Society of Legal Scholars (UK): associate member
- 1988 — Law Society of Alberta: student member (1988-89), active member (1989-92),
non-practising member (1992 —)
- 2013-15 Current Legal Problems (UK): joint editor
- 2011-12 Andrew Burrows, *A Restatement of the English Law of Unjust Enrichment*
(Oxford University Press, Oxford 2012): advisory group member
- 2004-09 Restitution Law Review (UK): regional editor
- 1986-88 Alberta Law Review: editorial board

TEACHING

JD and LLB Subjects Taught

- Company Law (Alberta)
- Conflict of Laws (TRU)
- Land Titles (Alberta)
- Property Law (Alberta, King's, Melbourne, TRU, UCL)
- Trusts (Alberta, King's, McGill, Melbourne, TRU, UCL)
- Unjust Enrichment (Alberta, TRU, Western Ontario)

LLM Subjects Taught

- Business Responsibility under the Law (Niigata)
- International Property Law (King's)

International Secured Transactions (UCL)
International Trust Law (King's, Melbourne, Singapore, UCL)
Restitution (Auckland, King's, UCL)
Resulting and Constructive Trusts (Auckland)

EXAMINING

2015-18 Deputy Chair, Undergraduate School Assessment Board
King's College London School of Law

2013-18 Deputy Chair of the LLB Board of Examiners
University of London International Programmes

2012-18 Chief Examiner and Subject Convenor for Equity and Trusts
University of London International Programmes

2008-12 External Examiner in Equity and Land Law (LLB)
University of Manchester

2007-12 Deputy Chief Examiner for the Law of Trusts
University of London International Programmes

2008-09 Deputy Chair, LLM Board of Examiners, UCL

2007-08 Chair, Undergraduate School Board of Examiners in Law
King's College London

PUBLICATIONS

Authored Books

An Introduction to Property Law in Australia (5th edn, Law Book Co, Sydney 2024)
(4th edn, 2019) (3rd edn, 2013) (2nd edn, 2008) and (1st edn, 2001)

The Law of Property (Irwin Law, Toronto 2021)

Resulting Trusts (Clarendon Press, Oxford 1997)

Co-authored Books

Oosterhoff on Trusts (10th edn, Thomson Reuters, Toronto 2024) (9th edn, 2019)
(8th edn, 2014) and (7th edn, 2009) with Mitchell McInnes and AH Oosterhoff
(6th edn, 2004) with Mitchell McInnes, AH Oosterhoff, and Lionel Smith

Co-edited Books

The Philosophical Foundations of the Law of Unjust Enrichment (Oxford University Press,
Oxford 2009) with Charles Mitchell and James Penner

The Law of Restitution in Canada: Cases, Notes, and Materials (Emond Montgomery,
Toronto 2004) with Mitchell McInnes, Jason Neyers, Stephen Pitel, and Lionel Smith

Chapters in Edited Collections

"Trusts as Remedies" in Evan Fox-Decent, John Goldberg, and Lionel Smith, *Understanding Private Law: Essays in Honour of Stephen A Smith* (Hart Publishing, forthcoming)

- “Trusts and the Statute of Frauds” in Jason Neyers, Andrew Botterell, and Zoë Sinel, *Gerald Fridman and the Law of Obligations: Past, Present and Future* (LexisNexis 2019) 345-64
- “Proprietary Restitution and Change of Position” in Andrew Dyson, James Goudkamp, and Frederick Wilmut-Smith, *Defences in Unjust Enrichment* (Hart Publishing, Oxford 2016) 115-31
- “Restitution of Overpaid Tax in Canada” in Steven Elliott, Birke Häcker, and Charles Mitchell, *Restitution of Overpaid Tax* (Hart Publishing, Oxford 2013) 303-12
- “Is There a Presumption of Resulting Trust?” in Charles Mitchell, *Constructive and Resulting Trusts* (Hart Publishing, Oxford 2010) 267-87
- “Trust and Theft” in Elise Bant and Matthew Harding, *Exploring Private Law* (Cambridge University Press 2010) 223-45
- “Two Kinds of Enrichment” in Robert Chambers, Charles Mitchell, and James Penner, *The Philosophical Foundations of the Law of Unjust Enrichment* (Oxford University Press 2009) 242-78
- “Ignorance” in Simone Degeling and James Edelman, *Unjust Enrichment in Commercial Law* (Lawbook Co, Sydney 2008) 253-74, with James Penner
- “Resulting Trusts” in Andrew Burrows and Lord Rodger, *Mapping the Law: Essays in Memory of Peter Birks* (Oxford University Press 2006) 247-64
- “The Importance of Specific Performance” in Simone Degeling and James Edelman, *Equity in Commercial Law* (Lawbook Co, Sydney 2005) 431-62
- “Integrating Property and Obligations” in Andrew Robertson, *The Law of Obligations: Connections and Boundaries* (UCL Press, London 2004) 127-44
- “Restrictions on the Use of Money” in William Swadling, *The Quistclose Trust: Critical Essays* (Hart Publishing, Oxford 2004) 77-120
- “Tracing and Unjust Enrichment” in Jason Neyers, Mitchell McInnes, and Stephen Pitel, *Understanding Unjust Enrichment* (Hart Publishing, Oxford 2004) 263-309
- “Liability” in Peter Birks and Arianna Pretto, *Breach of Trust* (Hart Publishing, Oxford 2002) 1-40
- “Conditional Gifts” in Norman Palmer and Ewan McKendrick, *Interests in Goods* (2nd edn, Lloyds of London Press, London 1998) 429-60

Articles in Academic Journals

- “Trusts and the Statute of Frauds” (2019) 93 *Supreme Court Law Review* (2d) 345-64
(also published as a chapter in an edited collection)
- “The Future of Unjust Enrichment in Common Law Canada” [2017] *Restitution Law Review* 3-13
- “The End of Knowing Receipt” (2016) 2 *Canadian Journal of Comparative and Contemporary Law* 1-32
- “Distrust: Our Fear of Trusts in the Commercial World” (2010) 63 *Current Legal Problems* 631-52
- “Responsibility for the Disloyalty of Others” (2000) 32 *Hosei Riron Journal of Law and Politics* 47-58

“Resulting Trusts in Canada” (2000) 38 *Alberta Law Review* 378-414; reprinted in (2002) 16 *Trust Law International* 104-22, 138-50

“Constructive Trusts in Canada” (1999) 37 *Alberta Law Review* 173-220; reprinted in (2001) 15 *Trust Law International* 214-32, (2002) 16 *Trust Law International* 2-20

Book Reviews and Review Essays

Paolo Panico, *International Trust Laws* (2018) 33 *Journal of International Banking Law and Regulation* 255-57

Simon Douglas, Robin Hickey, and Emma Waring, *Landmark Cases in Property Law* (2016) 75 *Cambridge Law Journal* 635-38

PD Maddaugh and JD McCamus, *The Law of Restitution*, 2nd edn (2005) 20 *Banking & Finance Law Review* 479-87

Peter Birks, *Unjust Enrichment* (2004) 42 *Alberta Law Review* 575-82

John Mee, *The Property Rights of Cohabitees* (2002) 24 *Dublin University Law Journal* 312-22

Sarah Worthington, *Personal Property Law* (2002) 16 *Trust Law International* 190-94

Peter Birks and Francis Rose, *Restitution and Equity: Resulting Trusts and Equitable Compensation* (2001) 15 *Trust Law International* 2-12

Sarah Worthington, *Proprietary Interests in Commercial Transactions* (1998) 18 *Oxford Journal of Legal Studies* 363-79

John Glover, *Commercial Equity: Fiduciary Relationships* [1996] *Restitution Law Review* 253-60

Case Comments and Notes

“The Presumption of Resulting Trust: *Nishi v Rascal Trucking Ltd*” (2014) 51 *Alberta Law Review* 667-76

“Constructive Trusts and Breach of Fiduciary Duty” (2013) 77 *Conveyancer and Property Lawyer* 241-51

“The Rule in *Hastings-Bass* (Deceased): *Pitt v Holt*” (2011) 25 *Trust Law International* 17-22

“Canada” (Regional Digest) [2009] *Restitution Law Review* 173-83

“Canada” (Regional Digest) [2008] *Restitution Law Review* 160-79

“Canada” (Regional Digest) [2007] *Restitution Law Review* 170-92

“Knowing Receipt: Frozen in Australia” (2007) 2 *Journal of Equity* 40-55

“Canada” (Regional Digest) [2006] *Restitution Law Review* 146-61

“*Deutsche Morgan Grenfell Group plc v IRC* [2006] UKHL” (2006) 6 *Oxford University Commonwealth Law Journal* 227-35

“Canada” (Regional Digest) [2005] *Restitution Law Review* 142-63

“The Consequences of Breach of Fiduciary Duty” (2005) 16 *King’s College Law Journal* 186-94

“Canada” (Regional Digest) [2004] *Restitution Law Review* 182-205

“*Lohia v Lohia*” (2001) 15 *Trust Law International* 26-33

“Indefeasible Title as a Bar to a Claim for Restitution” [1998] *Restitution Law Review* 126-34

“Tracing, Trusts and Liens” (1997) 11 *Trust Law International* 86-92

“Change of Position on the Faith of the Receipt” [1996] *Restitution Law Review* 103-09

“Restitution, Trusts and Compound Interest” (1996) 20 *Melbourne University Law Review* 1192-1200

“Restitution of Money Paid to Third Persons: *Peel (RM) v The Queen*” (1993) 57 *Saskatchewan Law Review* 325-45

“Priest-Penitent Privilege: *R v Church of Scientology of Toronto and Zaharia*” (1989) 68 *Canadian Bar Review* 176-92, with Mitchell McInnes

Co-edited Journals

(2015) 68 *Current Legal Problems* 1-464, with Piet Eeckhout and Virginia Mantouvalou

(2014) 67 *Current Legal Problems* 1-502, with Jeff King and Virginia Mantouvalou

(1999) 37 *Alberta Law Review* 1-270, with Mitchell McInnes

Other Publications

Restitution Research Resource (2nd edn, Mansfield, Oxford 1997) with Peter Birks
(1st edn, 1994) with Peter Birks

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PAPERS PRESENTED

- 2024 Unjust Enrichment at 70
 Wills, Estates, & Trusts Law 2024, Canadian Bar Association BC Branch
- 2018-19 Trusts and the Statute of Frauds
 Gerald Fridman and the Law of Obligations, Western University
 Faculty Seminar, Melbourne Law School, University of Melbourne
- 2017 The Future of Unjust Enrichment in Common Law Canada
 The Global Futures of Unjust Enrichment, UCL
- 2016 The End of Knowing Receipt
 Centre for Law & Business, National University of Singapore
- 2012 Bribes and Restitution
 London Law Club, London School of Economics
- 2011 The End of Knowing Receipt?
 Higher Courts Judges Conference, Napier, New Zealand
 Faculty Seminar, Melbourne Law School, University of Melbourne
 Special Lecture, Faculty of Law, University of Western Australia
- 2010 Distrust: Our Fear of Trusts in the Commercial World
 Inaugural Lecture, UCL
- 2010 Restitution of Overpaid Tax in Canada
 Restitution of Overpaid Tax, Merton College, Oxford
- 2009 Fraud Unravels All?
 Property Bar Association Annual Conference, London
- 2009 Is there a Presumption of Resulting Trust?
 Constructive and Resulting Trusts, King’s College London

- 2007 Ignorance (with James Penner)
Restitution in Commercial Law, University of New South Wales
- 2004 The Importance of Specific Performance
Fusion, University of New South Wales
- 2003 Tracing and Unjust Enrichment
Understanding Unjust Enrichment, University of Western Ontario
- 2002 Another Chapter on Quistclose Trusts
The Quistclose Trust, All Souls College, Oxford
- 2002 Integrating Property and Obligations
The Law of Obligations, University of Melbourne
- 1999 Responsibility for the Disloyalty of Others
Business Responsibility under the Law, Niigata University
- 1999 Resulting Trusts in Canada
Workshop on Commercial and Consumer Law, McGill University

UNIVERSITY ADMINISTRATION

Thompson Rivers University

- 2022 — Department Chair (Faculty of Law)
- 2022 — Sabbatical Leave Committee (Faculty of Law): Chair
- 2021 — Appointments Committee (Faculty of Law)
- 2020 — Workload Committee (Faculty of Law): Chair
- 2019 — Educational Programmes Committee: Chair from 2024
- 2018 — Tenure and Promotion Committee (Faculty of Law)
- 2022-24 Assurance of Learning Subcommittee
- 2020-22 General Education Task Force
- 2019-22 Library Committee (Faculty of Law)
- 2021 Task Force on Curriculum Reform (Faculty of Law)
- 2020 Academic Planning Committee (Faculty of Law): Chair
- 2019-20 Equity Committee (Faculty of Law)
- 2018-20 Sabbatical Leave Committee (Faculty of Law)
- 2018-19 Appointments Committee (Faculty of Law)

King's College London School of Law

- 2015-18 Undergraduate School Assessment Board: Deputy Chair
- 2017 Professional Skills Sub-committee: Chair
- 2017 School Education Committee
- 2012-14 School Education Committee: External Peer
- 2007-08 Undergraduate Programmes Co-ordinator
- 2007-08 Undergraduate School Board of Examiners in Law: Chair

2006-07 Equality and Diversity Group

University of London International Programmes

2017-18 LLB Board of Examiners: Deputy Chair

2014-18 Laws Programme Board

2014-18 Teaching and Assessment Sub-committee

2013-17 LLB Board of Examiners: Joint Chair

2010-14 Undergraduate Laws Committee

University College London

2013-15 Notarial Practice Course (Faculty of Laws): Director

2011-12 Graduate Programmes Committee (Faculty of Laws)

2010-12 Bachelor of Arts and Sciences Steering Group

2010-12 Programme and Module Approval Steering Group

2009-12 Dean's Team (Faculty of Laws)

2009-12 Faculty Teaching Committee (Faculty of Laws): Chair

2009-12 Library Committee (Faculty of Laws)

2009-12 Quality Maintenance and Enhancement Committee

2009-12 Research Committee (Faculty of Laws)

2009-12 Vice Dean Education (Faculty of Laws)

2011 Task Force on Learning and Teaching

2009-11 LLM Committee (Faculty of Laws): Chair

2010 Senior Promotions Committee for Arts and Social Sciences

2008-09 LLM Board of Examiners (Faculty of Laws): Deputy Chair

University of Alberta

2001-06 Technology Committee (Faculty of Law)

2004-05 Committees Review Committee (Faculty of Law)

2004-05 Staff Travel Committee (Faculty of Law)

2001-05 Building Committee (Faculty of Law)

2003-04 General Faculties Council

1999-2004 Convocation Committee

1999-2003 Business Council (School of Business)

1999-2003 Curriculum Committee (Faculty of Law)

2002 Arts Research Ethics Board (Faculty of Arts)

2002 Arts, Science and Law Research Ethics Board

2002 Associate Dean (Graduate Studies & Research) (Faculty of Law)

2002 Health Law Institute Management Board

- 2002 Small Faculties Research Grants Selection Committee
- 2001-02 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research Council
- 2001-02 University Research Policy Committee
- 1999-2002 Ethics in Human Research Committee (Faculty of Law)
- 1999-2002 Graduate Studies Committee (Faculty of Law)
- 2001 McCalla Professorships Small Faculties Committee

University of Melbourne

- 1998 Human Research Ethics Committee
 - Behavioural and Social Sciences Subcommittee
 - Consent Working Group
- 1997-98 Law Library Users Committee