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Emily Ohler: Chair, BC Human Rights Tribunal

Emily Ohler was appointed as a full-time member of the Tribunal on June 9, 2016, appointed as chair effective August 1, 2021 initially for a three-year term, and reappointed in June 2023 for a further five years. She holds degrees from the University of British Columbia (B.A, 1997), Osgoode Hall Law School (J.D, 2000) and the National University of Singapore (LL.M, 2005). She was called to the bar of British Columbia in 2001. She received a King's Counsel designation in 2025.

Ms. Ohler began her career as a litigator in Vancouver before moving to Geneva, Switzerland in 2005 to join the United Nations Compensation Commission (UNCC), a subsidiary of the United Nations Security Council. There, she served as sole Legal Officer advising the Governing Council on the implementation and management of a program overseeing \$4.3 billion in post-conflict reparation claims projects related to the 1991 Gulf War. She returned to Vancouver in 2011 and continued as a consulting adviser to the UNCC. She also incorporated Broadleap Solutions Ltd., an international advisory firm focused on implementing the UN Guidelines on Business and Human Rights. She developed and delivered innovative human rights-related educational and mentorship programs, served on various Boards, and has taught international and common law as Lecturer and Adjunct Professor at the University of British Columbia.