

KELLY A. RATHJE, MA  
PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

BA (Honours, Economics)	University of Calgary	1998
MA (Economics)	University of Calgary	2000

WORK EXPERIENCE

CONSULTANT, *Economica Ltd.* Economica is an economic consulting firm specializing in the provision of litigation support in personal injury and fatal accident cases. Ms. Rathje joined the firm in September 1999, and has prepared assessments for over 600 personal injury, fatal accident, cost-of-care cases. She has also prepared assessments regarding long-term disability benefits and pension valuations, and has assisted in the preparation of numerous other cases. She has been accepted as an expert witness in one action before the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench.

GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT, *University of Calgary* 1998 – 1999. Instructed tutorials for first year undergraduate microeconomics courses. Marked assignments supervised and marked exams.

OFFICE ASSISTANT, *Astral Home Entertainment* 1996 – 1998. Trained new employees; provided support for all other departments; posted customer payments to accounts.

SALES REPRESENTATIVE, *Astral Home Entertainment* 1993-1996. Sustained highest grossing client base of \$175,000+ per month; acted as a liaison with studio representatives for sales incentives; created displays for products; and constructed monthly release schedule which included street dates, pricing, packs, buying incentives and pre-order dates.

PUBLICATIONS

1. "Rates of Return to Advanced Education in Alberta and Canada", *Master's Thesis, University of Calgary*, 2000.
2. "Rates of Return to Advanced Education in Alberta", *The Expert Witness*, Winter 1999/2000 Vol. 4 No. 4..
3. "Evaluation of Harm to a Class of Individuals", *The Expert Witness*, Winter 2000 Vol. 5 No. 4.
4. Rathje, K.A. and J.C.H. Emery, 2002, "Returns to University Education in Canada Using New Estimates of Program Costs;" in D. Laidler, *Renovating the Ivory Tower*, (Toronto: C.D. Howe Institute).