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Expertise

Capital Markets and Securities
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Bar Admissions

Ontario, 1999

Trusted by clients to be “very practical, very knowledgeable and good at thinking things through,” Rob brings a combination of commercial insight and practical know-how to his clients’ critical capital markets matters.

Client – Chambers Canada

Rob advises clients on a broad range of transactions, including public and private offerings of equity and debt securities and structured products, asset acquisitions and divestitures, joint ventures, equity monetizations, corporate governance and loan financings.

Known for his expertise in securities law, Rob is regularly consulted by public companies – including mining and oil and gas companies – on disclosure issues and general commercial matters. He also acts for issuers and underwriters in major cross-border transactions and advises major U.S. investment banks on securities law compliance issues concerning Canadian offerings.

Rob is an adjunct professor at Osgoode Hall Law School. He is a former member of the Ontario Securities Commission’s Continuous Disclosure Advisory Committee and Small Business Advisory Committee.

REPRESENTATIVE WORK

Scotia Capital Inc and TD Securities

Acted for a syndicate of underwriters, co-led by Scotia Capital Inc. and TD Securities Inc. in an offering of C\$200-million aggregate principal amount of Series L Notes of Crombie Real Estate Investment Trust due March 29, 2030.

RBC Capital Markets, LLC and RBC Dominion Securities Inc.

Acted for RBC Capital Markets, LLC and RBC Dominion Securities Inc. on the US\$723.4-million cross-border secondary offering of subordinate voting shares of GFL Environmental Inc.

Agnico Eagle Mines Limited

Acted for Agnico Eagle Mines Limited in its earn-in agreement with FireFox Gold Corp. to form a property-level joint venture in respect of the Kolho property located in northern Finland, together with a concurrent equity investment in FireFox Gold Corp. and the negotiation of an investor rights agreement.

J.P. Morgan Securities Inc.

Acted as Canadian counsel to the initial purchasers, led by J.P. Morgan, in the private placement of US\$1 billion of senior secured notes of GFL Environmental Inc.

New York Life Insurance Company

Acted for New York Life Insurance Company in the Canadian private placement

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of C\$1.05 billion of floating-rate and fixed-rate notes by New York Life Global Funding, a special purpose statutory trust organized under Delaware law, secured by a funding agreements issued by New York Life Insurance Company.

Metropolitan Life Insurance Company

Acted for Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, CIBC World Markets Inc., TD Securities Inc. BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc. and Scotia Capital Inc. in the Canadian private placement of C\$1 billion of floating-rate and fixed-rate notes by Metropolitan Life Global Funding I, a special purpose statutory trust organized under Delaware law, secured by a funding agreements issued by Metropolitan Life Insurance Company.

Goldman Sachs & Co.

Acted for Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC on the US\$658-million cross-border secondary offering of subordinate voting shares of GFL Environmental Inc.

TD Securities Inc., Scotia Capital Inc. and BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc.

Acted for a syndicate of underwriters, led by TD Securities Inc., Scotia Capital Inc. and BMO Nesbitt Burns Inc. in an offering of C\$200-million aggregate principal amount of Series K Notes of Crombie Real Estate Investment Trust due September 28, 2029.

Lithium Royalty Corp

Acted for Lithium Royalty Corp. in its C\$150-million initial public offering of common shares underwritten by a syndicate co-led by Canaccord Genuity Corp and Citigroup Global Markets Canada Inc.

WideOrbit Inc.

Acted for WideOrbit, Inc., a California-based media vertical software provider, in its sale to Constellation Software Inc. and its subsidiary Lumine Group Inc., and the related spin-out of the combined Lumine Group Inc. as a new public company listed on the TSX-V.

RECOGNITIONS

Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business—Capital Markets: Debt and Equity

Chambers Canada: Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business—Capital Markets

IFLR1000: The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms—Capital Markets: Debt; Capital Markets: Equity; Mergers and Acquisitions

Lexpert Special Edition: Energy

Lexpert Special Edition: Finance and M&A

Lexpert Special Edition: Mining

The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory—Corporate Commercial Law; Corporate Finance and Securities; Mining

The Best Lawyers in Canada—Corporate Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law; Mining Law; Securities Law

DAVIES

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INSIGHTS

Doing Business in Canada 2023, contributor

Nov. 14, 2023

If It Ain't Broke... Davies Comments on Draft Capital Markets Act

Feb. 25, 2022

CSA Introduces a Streamlined Shelf Prospectus Regime for "Well-Known Seasoned Issuers"

Dec. 13, 2021

Davies Highlights Concerns with Proposals to Modernize Ontario's Capital Markets

Sept. 09, 2020

At-the-Market Distributions Arrive in Canada

June 08, 2020

COVID-19: Canadian Public Disclosure Considerations During the Pandemic

Mar. 23, 2020

Keep It Between Us: Canadian Securities Regulators Adopt Confidential Prospectus Review Process

Mar. 06, 2020

You Say You Want Evolution? Well...Canadian Securities Regulators Are Now Reshaping Yesterday's Rules

Mar. 04, 2020

OSC Offers Pre-Filing Review of Technical Disclosure for Mining Issuers Expecting to File a Prospectus

June 10, 2019

CSA Proposes New At-the-Market Distribution Regime

May 16, 2019

EDUCATION

Queen's University, LLB, 1996

Queen's University, BA (Hons) (Economics), 1987

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Ontario Securities Commission, Continuous Disclosure Advisory Committee, former member; Small Business Advisory Committee, former member

TEACHING ENGAGEMENTS

Rob is an adjunct professor at Osgoode Hall Law School, where he leads the securities law section of the Advanced Business Law Workshop.