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Melanie Shishler Interviewed by Lexpert about NAFTA's Impact on Canadian M&A Activity

In an article published in the Report on Business/Lexpert Special Edition *Canada's Leading Corporate Lawyers*, Davies partner [Melanie Shishler](#) speaks about the impact of the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA) on the Canadian M&A market.

"In general, any kind of uncertainty, including uncertainty around NAFTA can be expected to create some headwinds," Melanie says. The impact of that uncertainty on deal activity, however, seems minimal. Companies have fixed their balance sheets, there's a lot of liquidity, the banks are willing to lend. These factors helped propel the market in 2017 and "when you reach out to investment bankers, there's a great deal of optimism around what 2018 will look like."