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Andrew advises his clients on their most critical transactions with an excellent level of service and deep market insight.

He brings a high level of sophistication to his practice, which focuses on public and private mergers and acquisitions and corporate governance.

Andrew has worked on transactions in a wide range of industries, particularly in the mining sector, including domestic and cross-border transactions, private equity transactions, joint ventures and contested and unsolicited transactions (for both bidders and targets).

REPRESENTATIVE WORK

Kansas City Southern
Acted as Canadian counsel to Kansas City Southern in its transformative US$31-billion merger with Canada Pacific Railway to create the first U.S.-Mexico-Canada rail network.

Shaw Communications Inc.
Acted for Shaw Communications Inc. in the acquisition by Rogers Communications Inc. of all of Shaw's issued and outstanding Class A and Class B shares in a transaction valued at approximately C$26 billion, including debt, representing a significant premium for Shaw's shareholders.

Shaw Communications Inc.
Acted for Shaw Communications Inc. in its joint C$2.85-billion sale with Rogers Communications Inc. of Freedom Mobile Inc. to Videotron Ltd., a subsidiary of Québecor Inc.

LKQ Corporation
Acted as Canadian counsel to LKQ Corporation in its C$2.8-billion acquisition of Uni-Select Inc.

Barrick Gold Corporation
Acted for Barrick Gold Corporation in its proposed US$42-billion merger with Newmont Mining Corporation to combine the world's two largest gold companies.

Barrick Gold Corporation
Acted for Barrick Gold Corporation in its historic joint venture with Newmont Mining Corporation, which combined their respective mining operations, assets, reserves and talent in Nevada to create the world's largest gold complex.

Barrick Gold Corporation
Acted for Barrick Gold Corporation in its recommended US$18.3-billion share-for-share merger with Randgold Resources Limited. This complex and multijurisdictional transaction created an industry-leading gold company with the greatest concentration of tier one gold assets in the industry and a diversified asset portfolio positioned for growth.

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Barrick Gold Corporation
Acted for Barrick Gold Corporation in its agreements with the governments of Pakistan and Balochistan and three federal state-owned Pakistani entities to reconstitute the Reko Diq Project in the country's Balochistan province, which hosts one of the world's largest undeveloped open pit copper-gold porphyry deposits. The reconstituted project is held 50% by Barrick and 50% by Pakistani stakeholders. A separate agreement provided for Barrick's partner Antofagasta PLC to exit and be replaced by the Pakistani parties in the reconstituted project.

Barrick Gold Corporation
Acted for Barrick Gold Corporation in its mutual strategic investment agreement with Shandong Gold Group Co., Ltd. and related securities laws matters. Under the agreement, Shandong Gold will purchase up to $300 million of Barrick shares and Barrick will invest an equivalent amount in shares of a publicly listed company controlled by Shandong Gold, in each case, through open market purchases.

Barrick Gold Corporation
Acted for Barrick Gold Corporation in the up to US$430-million sale to Teranga Gold Corporation of a 90% interest in the Massawa gold project in Senegal by a subsidiary of Barrick and its Senegalese joint venture partner.

RECOGNITIONS

Chambers Canada: Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business—Energy & Natural Resources: Mining (Associate to Watch)

Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch—Corporate Law

The Legal 500 Canada—Energy and Natural Resources: Mining (Rising Star)

University of Toronto Faculty of Law—Edward J. Kowal '65 Prize (Commercial Law); Rocco Marcello Prize (Securities Law)

INSIGHTS

Governance Insights: 10 Trends that GCs and Boards Need to Know
Jan. 24, 2024

Public Mergers and Acquisitions in Canada: Overview, co-author
Nov. 01, 2021

EDUCATION

University of Toronto, JD/MBA, 2016
London School of Economics and Political Science, MSc, 2012
Duke University, BA (Hons), 2011