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Expertise

Competition, Antitrust and Foreign
Investment

Investigations and White Collar
Defence

Advertising, Marketing and
Distribution

Communications and Media

Bar Admissions

Ontario, 2014

Alysha's commercial insight and technical know-how allow her to deliver practical solutions to clients' critical business matters.

She advises clients on all aspects of competition law, with a particular focus on mergers and acquisitions, cartel investigations, reviewable conduct, misleading advertising and litigation. Alysha's deep knowledge of complex regulatory requirements has made her a trusted adviser to clients across a range of industries, including mining, retail, commercial real estate, telecommunications, consumer products and financial services. She also counsels clients on Canadian ownership and control laws as well as privacy matters.

Alysha is a frequent speaker at industry conferences and holds leadership positions within the Canadian Bar Association and American Bar Association.

REPRESENTATIVE WORK

Hellman & Friedman

Acting as Canadian counsel to Hellman & Friedman-backed AutoScout24, a European online automotive marketplace, in its acquisition of TRADER Corporation, a Canadian online marketplace also offering dealership and OEM software and lender services for the automotive sector, from Thoma Bravo.

Russel Metals Inc.

Acted for Russel Metals Inc. in its C\$225-million acquisition of seven service centers from Samuel, Son & Co., five of which are located in Western Canada and two in the United States.

Aecon Group Inc.

Acted for Aecon Group Inc. in the sale of its Aecon Transportation East roadbuilding, aggregates and materials business in Ontario to Green Infrastructure Partners Inc. for C\$235 million in cash.

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. This deal won M&A Deal of the Year at the 2024 Canadian Law Awards.

Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc.

Acted for Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc. both in its acquisition of Cape D'Or Holdings Limited and Barrington Terminals Limited, which operate an independent convenience store and fuel network in Atlantic Canada under the Esso, Wilsons Gas Stops and Go! Store brands, and in connection with obtaining the Canadian Competition Bureau's approval for the transaction. Also acted for Alimentation Couche-Tard Inc. in the divestiture of 52 retail and fuel locations to Harnois Énergies.

Interfor Corporation

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Acted for Interfor Corporation in its acquisition for over C\$325-million of 100% of the equity interests of Kilmer Group-backed Chaleur Forest Products entities.

Interfor Corporation

Acted for Interfor Corporation in its \$490-million acquisition of 100% of the equity interests of Kelso & Company-backed EACOM Timber Corporation.

Blackstone Tactical Opportunities

Acted as Canadian counsel to funds managed by Blackstone Tactical Opportunities in their acquisition (and related financing) of H.I.G. Capital-backed Sustana Group, a Wisconsin and Quebec-based manufacturer of premium, sustainable recycled fiber, paper, and packaging products.

Alexion Pharmaceuticals Inc.

Acted as Canadian competition counsel for Alexion Pharmaceuticals Inc., a global biopharmaceutical company focused on rare disorders therapies, in its US\$39-billion acquisition by AstraZeneca plc, a UK-based biopharmaceutical company focused on prescription medicines.

Russel Metals Inc.

Acted for Russel Metals Inc., one of the largest metals distribution companies in North America, in its joint venture with Marubeni-Itochu Tubulars America Inc. whereby each company combined their respective Canadian OCTG/line pipe business into a newly incorporated company, named TriMark Tubulars Ltd.

RECOGNITIONS

The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory—Competition Law

Who's Who Legal: Competition—Future Leaders

INSIGHTS

Panelist, South Asian Bar Association of North America, 2024 SABA North America Annual Conference “Canada & the US – Facilitating Partnership & Cross-Border Investment”; Toronto, ON
July 12, 2024

Panelist, The American Bar Association, 2024 Antitrust Spring Meeting, “The Price Is Right (Or Is It?)”; Washington, DC
Apr. 10, 2024

Panelist, Digital Governance Council, Digital Governance Council Executive Forum, “Unlocking data: Expectations of Canadians”; Toronto
Jan. 25, 2024

Doing Business in Canada 2023, contributor
Nov. 14, 2023

Moderator, The Canadian Bar Association, The CBA Competition Law and Foreign Investment Review Section’s Criminal Matters Committee, “CBA Criminal Matters Committee Roundtable”; Webinar
June 23, 2023

Employers Beware: Amendments to the Canadian *Competition Act*’s Criminal

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Conspiracy Provisions Take Effect

June 22, 2023

Presenter, Law Society of Ontario, White Collar Crime Update for Litigators,

“Primer on Anti-Corruption Laws: What You Need to Know”; Toronto, ON

May 09, 2023

Canadian Lawyer and Epiq, Canadian Occupational Safety, “Competition Law & Regulatory Scrutiny in the ‘New Normal’: How to navigate a complex, changed landscape”; Webinar

Mar. 12, 2023

Canadian Bar Association, “A Primer on the Amendments to Canada’s Abuse of Dominance Provisions”; Webcast

Dec. 02, 2022

The Digital Markets and Competition Enforcement Guide, Canada chapter, co-author

Nov. 25, 2022

EDUCATION

Osgoode Hall Law School, JD, 2013

McGill University, BSc, 2008

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Bar Association

Canadian Bar Association

Ontario Legal Professional Alliance

South Asian Bar Association

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

American Bar Association, Antitrust Law Section, Consumer Protection Committee, vice-chair

American Bar Association, Section of International Law, Antitrust Committee, vice-chair

Canadian Bar Association, Competition Law Section, International Committee, former chair

Ismaili Volunteer Corps.