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Expertise
Corporate
Mergers and Acquisitions

Bar Admissions
Paris, 2012
Québec, 2018

Clients rely on Antoine's keen understanding of their businesses to deliver pragmatic solutions.

Antoine's practice focuses on domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, private equity, equity financing, restructurings, complex joint ventures and other corporate matters. With a strong background in finance and a fluency in several languages, Antoine works with a wide range of European clients and regularly advises foreign companies looking to do business in Canada. He is recognized for his extensive experience in the healthcare, technology and retail industries.

Prior to joining Davies, Antoine practised law at national firms in Paris.

Representative Work

Labsurface
Acted for the shareholders of **Labsurface**, a specialty epoxy coatings provider for commercial, industrial, and laboratory flooring, in the sale of a minority interest to Idealist Capital.

Hypixel Inc.
Acted for **Hypixel**, a Canadian video game studio, in the global launch of Hytale, a sandbox role-playing game, advising on intellectual property, commercial agreements, digital distribution, online services, and regulatory compliance.

ANJAC Health & Beauty
Acted for **ANJAC Health & Beauty**, a French industrial group specializing in the formulation, manufacturing and filling of cosmetics, medical devices, drugs and food supplements, on its C$150-million sale of Ontario-based Pillar5 Pharma to Prestige Consumer Healthcare Inc, a company listed on the NYSE.

Hypixel Studios
Acted for **Hypixel Studios**, in its acquisition of the Hytale game and related assets from Riot Games, a Los Angeles–based video game developer, publisher, and esports tournament organizer and a subsidiary of Tencent.

dss+
Acted for **dss+** in its acquisition of ProAction International, a Montréal-based operational performance management and coaching company.

Velan Inc.
Acted for **Velan Inc.** in the €192.5-million sale of its French subsidiaries, Segault SAS and Velan S.A.S., to Framatome SAS.

Bureau Veritas
Acted for **Bureau Veritas** with the EUR$360-million sale of its food testing business to Mérieux NutriSciences.

International Food Corporation
Acted for **International Food Corporation** (dba Bakery de France) and its shareholders in the sale of 50% of the issued and outstanding shares of International Food Corporation to La Lorraine Bakery Group.

Mondi plc
Acted for **Mondi plc**, a global leader in the production of sustainable packaging and paper, in its acquisition of the Hinton Pulp mill from West Fraser Timber Co. Ltd. (West

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Fraser) and its long-term partnership with West Fraser to access local, high-quality fibre from well-established wood basket, as well as with Mondi plc's plans to invest €400 million in the expansion of Hinton.

Ember Infrastructure Management, LP

Acted for funds managed by **Ember Infrastructure Management, LP**, a New York-based private equity firm, in its $395-million acquisition of H2O Innovation Inc., a TSX-listed company, by way of statutory plan of arrangement under the *Canada Business Corporations Act*, and the associated rollover of shares by Investissement Québec, Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec and management.

Recochem

Acted as counsel to **Recochem** management in the acquisition of H.I.G portfolio company Recochem by funds managed by CapVest.

EcoPro BM

Acting for Korea-based **EcoPro BM** in its C$1.2-billion joint venture with Ford and SK On to build a cathode manufacturing facility to produce electric vehicle (EVs) battery materials in Bécancour, Quebec.

Interfor Corporation

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.

Ingeniarts Technologies Inc.

Acted for **Ingeniarts Technologies Inc.**, operating as UgoWork, in its C$22.8-million series B financing from investors such as Fonds de solidarité des travailleurs du Québec (F.T.Q.), Export Development Canada, Capital régional et coopératif Desjardins and Investissement Québec.

IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.

Acted for **IDEXX Laboratories, Inc.**, a leader in the design, development and marketing of diagnostic test instruments to monitor animal health and analyze dairy products and water, in its acquisition of the assets of Pathogen Detection Systems, Inc.

Habitations Trigone Inc.

Acted for **Habitations Trigone Inc.** in the sale of its partners' two-thirds ownership and Trigone's sale of its one-third interest in a 30-property apartment portfolio in Montréal to Centurion Apartment REIT. This sale represents the largest single multi-family transaction to date in Québec.

Interfor Corporation

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

Explorance Inc.

Acted for **Explorance Inc.** in connection with the investment by Investissement Québec.

Novacap Management Inc.

Acted for **Novacap Management Inc.** in the creation of the first major private equity continuation vehicle in Canada. Novacap's TMT VI Fund and the continuation vehicle, whose lead investor is the Vintage Funds within Goldman Sachs Asset Management, acquired a controlling interest in Montréal-based Syntax Systems Group Inc. from

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Novacap TMT IV and Novacap TMT V, along with other shareholders.

r2p GmbH

Acted for **r2p GmbH**, a leading Germany-based international smart public transportation technology company, in its acquisition of T.G. Baker Americas Inc. and Intelligent Passenger Solutions Inc., two Ontario-based companies specializing in supplying scalable and integrated passenger information systems for transit operators.

Danone

Acted as Canadian counsel to **Danone**, a leading French multi-local food and beverage company, in the sale of Vega, the North American plant-based nutritional products brand, to funds managed by WM Partners, a U.S.-based private equity investment firm focused on the health and wellness industry.

Wattpad Corp.

Acted for **Wattpad Corp.**, a global multi-platform storytelling entertainment company headquartered in Canada, in its acquisition by Naver Corporation, a public South Korean Internet conglomerate. This transaction is valued at more than US$600 million.

New Look Vision Group Inc.

Acting for **New Look Vision Group Inc. and New Look (Delaware) Corporation** in the acquisition of Luxury Optical Holdings, one of the largest retailers of ultra-luxury glass frames, sunglasses and other eyewear throughout the United States.

Groupe Latécoère

Acted for **Groupe Latécoère**, a portfolio company of Searchlight Capital Partners, in its acquisition from Bombardier Inc. and certain of its affiliates of the assets relating to electrical wiring interconnection activities for the production of main and sub-electrical harnesses for commercial and business aviation programs.

Hypixel Studios Inc.

Acted for the founders of video game studio **Hypixel Studios Inc**. in its sale to Riot Games, Inc. a game developer and publisher best known for *League of Legends*.

NetEase Interactive Entertainment Pte. Ltd

Acted for China-based **NetEase**, a world-leading Internet and video game company, in its Series A investment in a Montréal-based video game studio.

Teneo

Acted for **Teneo** in its acquisition of Hatley Strategy Advisors, a leading strategic communications and corporate advisory firm based in Montréal, Canada.

BGH Capital

Acted as Canadian counsel to **BGH Capital**, a private equity firm based in Australia, in its A$2.1-billion acquisition of Navitas Limited, an educational services provider with operations in Canada.

Moose International Inc.

Acted for **Moose International Inc.** in the sale of the Moose Knuckles business to a consortium of investors led by Cathay Capital.

Bank of Montreal

Acted for **Bank of Montreal**, the administrative agent for a syndicate of lenders, in the

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$91-million senior secured credit facility made available to Summit Industrial Income REIT under the credit agreement in connection with the acquisition of five industrial properties in Québec.

Hypixel Studios Inc.
Acted for Québec-based **Hypixel Studios Inc.** in its Series A financing round with Riot Games as lead investor and other prominent investors from the video game community.

GMP Securities L.P.
Acted for a syndicate of agents led by **GMP Securities L.P.** in connection with a going public transaction by way of reverse takeover involving VOTI Detection Inc. and Steamsand Capital Corp., and VOTI's concurrent brokered private placement of subscription receipts for gross proceeds of approximately $9.2 million.

Canadian Business Growth Fund
Acted for **Canadian Business Growth Fund** in connection with its investment in Lift Auto Group, a consolidator of automotive collision repair centres, and its investment in PayBright, a technology-enabled point-of-sale consumer payments and lending platform.

Interactive Validated Solutions 88 Inc.
Acted for **Interactive Validated Solutions 88 Inc. (Pivot 88)** in connection with an equity investment by Newtimes Development Ltd.

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Insights

Three Davies Partners Named *Lexpert Rising Stars*
Nov 13, 2026

Davies Lawyers Recognized by *Best Lawyers*
Sep 3, 2026

Lexpert Recognizes Davies' Finance Expertise
Apr 15, 2026

Lexpert Affirms Davies' Position as a Leading Firm
Mar 17, 2026

Habitations Trigone Participates in Largest Multi-Residential Deal to Date in Québec
Feb 4, 2022

Novacap Completes First Major Private Equity Continuation Vehicle in Canada
Oct 13, 2021

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Danone Sells Vega to U.S. Private Equity Firm
Jun 21, 2021

Wattpad Completes Acquisition by Naver
May 10, 2021

Education

Université Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne, LLM (Business and International Tax Law), 2011
Université Paris 1 Panthéon Sorbonne, LLM (Business Law), 2009
École des Hautes Études Commerciales (HEC Paris), Masters in Management, 2011
Lycée Sainte-Geneviève (Versailles), BSc, 2007
Lycée Sainte-Marie Grand Lebrun (Bordeaux), BSc (Mathematics) (with Great Distinction), 2005

Bar Admissions

Paris, 2012
Québec, 2018

Community Involvement

Cercle Canadien de Montréal, director
Chambre de commerce et d'industrie française au Canada, Davies representative