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Expertise
Employment, Labour and Executive Compensation

Bar Admissions
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Mark-Anthony is developing a broad labour and employment law practice.

He has assisted clients on a range of labour matters, including employment contracts, workplace policies and labour standards obligations, and has advised on employee-related issues in the context of commercial transactions, such as asset and stock acquisitions. Mark-Anthony has also represented clients at all levels of court, including appellate courts, and before tribunals.

Prior to joining Davies, Mark-Anthony practised at an international business law firm.

Representative Work

CDW LLC
Acted as Canadian counsel for **CDW LLC** in its US$525-million acquisition of Lovelytics, a leading global data and AI services firm.

Plenary Americas
Acted for **Plenary Americas** in its C$1.2-billion take-private acquisition of Information Services Corporation, a leading provider of public data registry and information management services, and its related engagement with the Government of Saskatchewan with respect to legislative amendments to facilitate the transaction.

Cadillac Fairview Corporation Limited
Acted for **Cadillac Fairview Corporation Limited** in the $240 million sale of Tour Deloitte, a landmark office property in downtown Montréal.

Resolute Forest Products
Acted for **Resolute Forest Products** in the sale of its sawmill located in Rivière-aux-rats, Quebec to Arbec, Bois d'oeuvre Inc.

Bain Capital
Acted as Canadian counsel to **Bain Capital**, a leading global private investment firm, in its US$3.3 billion acquisition of Mitsubishi Tanabe Pharma Corporation, a Japanese pharmaceutical company.

Vortex Companies
Acted for **Vortex Companies**, a Quad-C Management, Inc. portfolio company and global leader in trenchless infrastructure solutions, in its acquisition of Foraction Inc., Quebec's leading trenchless watermain rehabilitation contractor, from Groupe Michaudville.

Wolseley Canada Inc.
Acted for **Wolseley Canada Inc.**, the leading wholesale distributor to plumbing, HVAC/R, waterworks and industrial markets in Canada, in its acquisition of National Fire Equipment Ltd. and National Fire Fabrication Ltd., a leader of fire and fabrication products and services across Canada.

Toppan Inc.
Acted as Canadian counsel to **TOPPAN Holdings Inc** in its US$1.8 billion acquisition of the Thermoformed and Flexibles Packaging business of Sonoco Products Company (NYSE: SON), a global leader in high-value sustainable packaging.

The Bidvest Group Limited
Acted for **The Bidvest Group Limited**, a South African publicly-traded company, in its

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acquisition of 100% of Citron Hygiene LP, a provider of washroom hygiene products and services in the U.S., Canada and UK, from Birch Hill Equity Partners and other investors.

PPG Industries Inc.

Acted as Canadian counsel to **PPG Industries Inc.** in the US$550-million sale of 100% of its architectural coatings business in the U.S. and Canada to American Industrial Partners.

Long Span Partners, LLC

Acted for the shareholders of **Risk Control Technologies Inc.,** Toronto-based leading provider of risk management and loss control solutions to the insurance industry, in the sale of a 100% interest to Duck Creek Technologies Inc.

Industrial and Financial Systems AB

Acted for **Industrial and Financial Systems AB** in its approximately C$1-billion acquisition of Copperleaf Technologies Inc., a provider of enterprise decision analytics software to companies managing critical infrastructure.

The Blackstone Group

Acted for funds affiliated with **Blackstone** in its acquisition of Trystar, a premier provider of electrical equipment used for backup power solutions.

Mannarino Systems & Software Inc.

Acted for the shareholders of **Mannarino Systems & Software Inc.**, a global leader in avionics for electric aircraft and drones and certified systems for the aerospace sector, with the sale of all of their issued and outstanding shares to Scalian SAS.

MacKinnon, Bennett & Co.

Acted for **MacKinnon, Bennett & Co.** in the formation of MKB Partners Fund III, a private equity fund that invests in the energy, mobility, built environment and related industrial sectors of the energy transition.

Direct Travel, Inc.

Acted as Canadian counsel to **Direct Travel, Inc,** in its sale to a group of investors, including Durable Capital Partners, Madrona Ventures, Top Tier Capital Partners, and Blackstone Credit & Insurance, led by Steve Singh.

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.

Integrated Media Company

Acted for **Integrated Media Company**, a TPG platform dedicated to the new media ecosystem, in its C$147.5-million acquisition of Toon Boom Animation Inc., an Emmy® Award-winning Montreal-based animation software company, from Nelvana Limited, a subsidiary of Corus Entertainment Inc.

Sustana

Acted for **Sustana**, a portfolio company of Blackstone, in its acquisition of Hanna Paper, a high-grade paper recycling company.

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Industrial and Financial Systems AB

Acted for **Industrial and Financial Systems AB** in its acquisition of Poka Inc., a Québec-based provider of connected worker platform software.

Investissement Québec

Acted for **Investissement Québec**, in its own capacity and as agent of the Government of Québec, in the initial C$70-million investment in Équisoft Inc., one of the largest providers of digital solutions in the financial sector, as part of a C$125-million investment with Export Development Canada and Fondaction.

LKQ Corporation

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

Trinity Industries, Inc.

Acted for **Trinity Industries, Inc,** in its acquisition of Holden America, a manufacturer of market-leading multilevel vehicle securement and protection systems, gravity-outlet gates and gate accessories for freight rail in North America, for an initial purchase price of US$70 million and an additional minimum of US$5 million per year for the next two years

Recognitions

Chambers Canada
Employment & Labour

Best Lawyers Canada
Labour and Employment Law
Ones to Watch

External Engagements

Speaking Engagement
Barreau du Québec, Les développements récents en droit de la concurrence 2024, “Comment rédiger et négocier des clauses de non-concurrence efficaces et raisonnables?”; Webcast
May 17, 2024

Speaking Engagement
Congrès de l’Association québécoise de pharmaciens propriétaires, “Naviguer le monde de l’emploi au Québec – Comment faire face aux défis du milieu du travail”; Montréal, QC
Nov 17, 2023

Insights

Davies Earns Distinction at 2026 Life Sciences Awards
Sep 11, 2026

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

Plenary Acquires ISC in $1.2 Billion Deal
Jul 8, 2026

zofiQ Announces Sale to ConnectWise

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Education

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McGill University, BSc (Psychology), 2015

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