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Expertise
Financial Restructuring and Insolvency

Bar Admissions
Ontario, 1996

Robin excels at identifying the critical issues in restructuring and insolvency proceedings and finding deal-oriented solutions. Clients value his pragmatic advice, with one client saying Robin "strikes a true balance between being a lawyer and a business professional."

Chambers Global

Clients in diverse industries trust Robin's solid and focused advice on their corporate turnarounds, work-outs and restructurings, distressed asset sales and acquisitions, debtor-in-possession financings, and secured and unsecured creditor rights enforcement. They rely on Robin's wealth of experience in dealing with multinational deals and appreciate his ability to keep a discussion on track.

Robin is known for his expertise in designing creative and novel processes – including under all facets of the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* and *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* proceedings – to bring matters to a successful resolution.

Representative Work

Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation

Acting for **Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation** in its proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.

Wexford Capital LP

Acted for **Wexford Capital LP**, the largest shareholder of Mako Mining Corp., in connection with Wexford's acquisition of Golden Vertex Corp., the owner and operator of the Moss gold mine in Arizona, through a *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* insolvency proceeding in Canada and related Chapter 15 proceeding in the United States, and its subsequent sale of Golden Vertex to Mako.

Crystallex International Corporation

Acting as counsel for the debtor in **Crystallex International Corporation's** proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.

KSV Restructuring Inc.

Acted for KSV Restructuring Inc. in its role as proposal trustee pursuant to Notices of Intentions filed by **YG Limited Partnership and YSL Residences Inc,** developer of Yonge Street Living Residences.

Gotham Green Partners, LLC

Acting as special tax and insolvency counsel for **Gotham Green Partners, LLC**, a New York-based private equity firm focused on global cannabis and cannabis-related enterprises, in the first successful restructuring of a Canadian cannabis company, iAnthus Capital Holdings, Inc., by way of a corporate plan of arrangement.

Fulcrum Capital Partners Inc.

Acted for Fulcrum Capital Partners Inc. and some of its related entities in the context of **G.I. Sportz**'s restructuring under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*, utilizing the relatively rare foreign recognized Canadian receivership proceedings to implement a

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cross-border asset sale to the purchaser of secured debt.

KSV Kofman Inc. (now known as KSV Restructuring Inc.)

Acted for KSV Kofman Inc. (now known as KSV Restructuring Inc.) in its role as monitor of **James E. Wagner Cultivation Corporation**, a Canadian licensed cannabis producer, in connection with proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*, the first ever successful sale of a Canadian cannabis company without using a reverse vesting order.

KSV Restructuring Inc.

Acting for **KSV Restructuring Inc.** as court appointed receiver in the restructuring proceedings of Vert Infrastructure Ltd.'s, resulting in the first ever reverse vesting order in a receivership proceeding.

Target Corporation

Acted for **Target Corporation** in connection with winding down of Target Canada Corporation under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.

Gotham Green Partners, LLC

Acted as Canadian insolvency counsel for **Gotham Green Partners, LLC**, a New York-based private equity firm focused on global cannabis and cannabis-related enterprises, with respect to its US$50-million investment in iAnthus Capital Holdings, Inc. (iAnthus), consisting of, in part, high-yield senior secured notes of a subsidiary of iAnthus, which are exchangeable for shares of iAnthus. iAnthus, a Canadian publicly listed company, owns, operates and partners with licensed cannabis operations throughout the United States.

Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce

Acting for Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, as a secured creditor of **Discovery Air Inc.**, in the latter's restructuring attempt under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* proceedings.

GSO Capital Partners LP

Acted for **GSO Capital Partners LP** and its affiliates in the negotiation and establishment of two credit facilities, and the acquisition of substantially all of the assets of **Grafton-Fraser Inc.**, former owner of **Tip Top Tailors** and other men's retail chains across Canada, pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.

Goldman Sachs

Acting for **Goldman Sach** s in connection with Tervita Corporation's, a leading environmental solutions provider, Chapter 15 proceedings and the plan of arrangement under the Canada Business Corporations Act.

KSV Restructuring Inc.

Acting for KSV Restructuring Inc. in its roles as Monitor of the **Urbancorp Group of Companies** in connection with proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* and as Information Officer for Urbancorp Inc.

Ascribe Capital

Acting for Ascribe Capital in connection with **Sanjel Corporation**'s *Companies' Creditors Agreement Act* proceedings.

Nortel Networks UK Limited

Acted as Canadian counsel to **Nortel Networks UK Limited** together with 18 of its subsidiaries and their Joint Administrators (the EMEA Estate), in connection with the

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global liquidation of the Nortel group of companies.

Jaguar Mining Inc.

Acted for the Special Committee of the Board of Directors of **Jaguar Mining Inc.** in connection with its non-brokered private placement of convertible senior secured debentures for aggregate proceeds of up to US$21.5 million.

Ironbridge Equity Partners

Acted for **Ironbridge Equity Partners** in its acquisition of Advance Engineered Products Ltd.'s tank production and services business under a sale proceeding conducted pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*. The assets purchased also include the mobile vacuum systems business carried on under the Westech Vac Systems name and the metal fabrication and machining business carried on under the Dumur Industries name.

Danier Leather Inc.

Acted for **Danier Leather Inc.** in connection with an amended and restated secured asset-based loan facility for an initial commitment of up to $35 million.

Noteholders of Armtec Infrastructure Inc.

Acted on behalf of a committee of noteholders in connection with proceedings affecting **Armtec Infrastructure Inc.** and its subsidiaries under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.

Alvarez & Marsal

Acted for Alvarez & Marsal in its capacity as the court-appointed monitor of **Nelson Education**, Canada's leading education publishing company, in connection with proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* to facilitate the sale and transfer of the business to its first lien lenders, a group of U.S. hedge funds.

Richter Advisory Group

Acted as counsel to **Richter Advisory Group Inc.** as receiver and manager in the matter of AFI Hydro Inc.

PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc.

Acting for PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., in its capacity as the court appointed monitor of **Great Western Minerals Group Ltd.**, a TSX Venture Exchange listed company, with debts in excess of $90 million and subsidiaries in the UK and South Africa, in connection with proceedings pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.

PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc.

Acted for **PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc.**, in its capacity as Court-appointed Monitor for 923451 Ontario Limited (formerly known as Comstock Canada Ltd.), CCL Realty Inc. and CCL Equities Inc.

Duff & Phelps Canada Restructuring Inc.

Acted as counsel to the liquidator, **Duff & Phelps Canada Restructuring Inc.** in the court-supervised liquidation of Coventree Inc.

Barzel Industries Canada Inc.

Acted for **Barzel Industries Canada Inc.** (formerly Novamerican Steel) in its cross-border restructuring proceedings involving independent proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* run in parallel concert with U.S. Chapter 11 proceedings for the U.S. parent company and U.S. subsidiaries and implementing a

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cross-border "stalking horse" sale agreement, cross-border bidding and auction process and closing of such sale within 65 days of the initial filing.

Coventree Inc.
Acted for **Coventree Inc.** and the conduits sponsored by it in connection with the restructuring of $32 billion of non-bank sponsored asset-backed commercial paper.

Cooper-Standard Automotive Canada Limited
Acted as counsel for **Cooper-Standard Automotive Canada Limited** in its filing under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* and related proceedings under Chapter 11.

Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP
Acted as Canadian counsel to the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors in the cross-border U.S. Chapter 11 and *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* proceedings pertaining to Pope & Talbot Ltd.

Recognitions

Chambers Global
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IFLR1000
Restructuring and Insolvency

Legal 500 Canada
Restructuring and Insolvency
Leading Partner

Lexpert Special Edition
Restructuring and Insolvency

Lexpert (CLLD)
Insolvency and Financial Restructuring: Financial Restructuring

Best Lawyers Canada
Insolvency and Financial Restructuring Law

External Engagements

Article
Canada – COVID-19 Response Search, contributor
Apr 15, 2020
Global Insolvency (American Bankruptcy Institute)
Read More

Speaking Engagement
Insolvency Institute of Canada, Annual Conference and General Meeting, "In Good Faith: Recent Amendments to the BIA and CCAA"; Naples, FL
Oct 26, 2019

Speaking Engagement
Ryerson University, Ted Rogers School of Management, workshop, "Good Faith, Honesty and the Bhasin v. Hrynew Decision: Where to From Here?"; Toronto,

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ON
Apr 28, 2017

Speaking Engagement
Guest lecturer, Queen's University Faculty of Law, "Distressed M&A"
Mar 5, 2012

Insights

Lexpert Highlights Davies' Expertise in Insolvency and Restructuring
Oct 7, 2026

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

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

Lexpert Recognizes Davies' Restructuring Expertise
Oct 1, 2025

Navigating Uncertainty: The Impact of Tariffs and Economic Shifts on Canadian Insolvencies
May 13, 2025

Insolvency Now: 2019-2024 Data Trends
Nov 19, 2024

2023 Business Insolvencies in Canada
Mar 5, 2024

Business Insolvency on the Rise in Canada: Understanding the Role of AI
Oct 12, 2023

Rolling Into 2023: Mild Slumps and Jumps in Insolvency Numbers
Mar 9, 2023

Financial Gloom and the Increase in Insolvency Filings
Nov 16, 2022

Canada's Shifting Credit and Insolvency Landscapes
Jul 27, 2022

Insolvencies in 2021: A Look Back and the Road Ahead
Apr 6, 2022

International Views: A Canadian Playbook for 2022
Feb 9, 2022

Q2 2021 Insolvencies: Crunching the Numbers and Keeping Good Faith
Oct 21, 2021

Monetizing Public Listings in Receiverships
Jun 21, 2021

Davies Restructuring Review 2021: Issue 2
Jun 17, 2021

Davies Restructuring Review 2021: Issue 1
Mar 2, 2021

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Alstom Acquires Bombardier Transportation to Become Leader in Global Mobility Market
Feb 1, 2021

Canadian Insolvency Trends in 2020: A Pandemic Year in Numbers
Dec 17, 2020

Education

Osgoode Hall Law School, LLB, 1994
York University, MBA, 1991
York University, BBA, 1990

Bar Admissions

Ontario, 1996

Teaching Engagements

For over 15 years, Robin was an award-winning lecturer on financial statement disclosure and transparency issues in the MBA program at York University's Schulich School of Business.
Robin has lectured on bankruptcy, insolvency and secured transaction matters at various professional development programs at Osgoode Hall Law School. He has also lectured in finance and commercial law courses for the Credit Institute of Canada.

Board Memberships

The Boulevard Club Limited, former director and former president

Professional Affiliations

American Bankruptcy Institute
Insolvency Institute of Canada
International Association of Restructuring, Insolvency & Bankruptcy Professionals (INSOL International)
Turnaround Management Association