Private Equity

With one of the world's leading private equity practices, DLA Piper has the market knowledge and exposure to help you achieve your goals throughout the investment life cycle. Our practice is global, with private equity lawyers across the Americas, Asia Pacific, Europe and the Middle East.

Because we are a global firm steeped in private equity, our clients benefit from the breadth and depth of our private equity experience and our key sector-based legal experience.

We represent private equity institutions, management teams, debt providers and, very importantly, portfolio companies through all stages of the private equity life cycle.

We understand how important it is to mirror the depth of sector experience displayed in the private equity industry and our teams cultivate a strong sector-driven approach across all practice areas, enabling us to provide legal solutions from lawyers who understand the issues and challenges facing you and your business.

With private equity becoming ever more international (including in emerging markets), our firm is well placed to offer a truly integrated service, with consistency of quality and responsiveness across all jurisdictions in which we operate across the world.

The strength and depth of our private equity practice is acknowledged with consistent top tier rankings in the key legal directories and M&A league tables as well as numerous industry awards. Our 2018 rankings by *Mergermarket* include placing us #1 globally in overall deal volume for the 9th consecutive year. *PitchBook* recognized DLA Piper as the second most active private equity law firm by global, US and Europe deal volume in 2018.

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RELATED SERVICES

- Emerging Growth and Venture Capital
- Global Investment Funds
- Mergers and Acquisitions

CAPABILITES

We are one of the few firms operating in private equity that can offer clients a genuine ability to execute cross-border deals seamlessly using our own private equity lawyers in all key markets and sectors that we operate.

Our experience is deep and varied and covers all aspects of the private equity lifecycle, including:

- Fundraisings and investments
- MBOs
- MBIs
- BIMBOs

- Secondary buyouts
- Take privates
- Management equity arrangements and incentives
- PIPEs
- Pre-IPO investments
- Portfolio transactions
- Public to private transactions
- Exits, including trade sales and listings and refinancings

Awards and Recognition

- #1 for European Private Equity - Buyouts (*Mergermarket* 2018)
- #1 for European Private Equity - Exits (*Mergermarket* 2018)
- #1 for European Private Equity - Buyouts & Exits (*Mergermarket* 2016 - 2018)
- #1 for number of Global M&A deals (*Mergermarket* 2008 and 2010 - 2018)
- #1 for number of European M&A deals (*Mergermarket* 2013 - 2018)
- #1 for number of UK M&A deals (*Mergermarket* 2005 - 2018)
- #1 most active law firm in Europe Private Equity deals (*Pitchbook* 2018)
- #2 most active law firm in Global Private Equity deals (*PitchBook* 2018)
- #2 most active law firm in US Private Equity deals (*Pitchbook* 2018)
- #2 most active law firm in IT, B2B and B2C, and #4 in Healthcare Private Equity deals (*Pitchbook* 2018)
- #2 most active law firm in US Mid-Atlantic and Southeast, and #3 in West Coast for Private Equity deals (*Pitchbook* 2018)
- DLA Piper is the only firm to rank as one of the top five most active law firms for private equity, venture capital and M&A deal volume (*PitchBook* 2018)
- Law Firm of the Year - Transactions (*Unquote* Private Equity Awards 2018)

EXPERIENCE

- Advised ABS Capital Partners in its investment in FactorTrust, Inc., a provider of underbanked consumer data, analytics and risk scoring solutions to a variety of lenders
- Advised Baird Capital Partners in its acquisition of Alpha Source, Inc., a distributor of lamps, batteries, wiring and other electronic diagnosis and laboratory equipment for the health care industry
- Advised Blackstone Group L.P., on its disposal of Nido Student Living, the UK based company engaged in providing student accommodation rental services, to Round Hill Capital LLC, for a consideration of £415 million
- Advised Bregal Sagemount I L.P. in its acquisition of 100% of irth Solutions LLC, a provider of field service management solutions that help increase the productivity of field workforce teams
- Advised Scottish 'punk' brewery, BrewDog, on its £213 million sale of a 22.3% stake to US private equity firm TSG Consumer Partners
- Advised Bridgepoint on the acquisition of The Flexitallic Group (formerly FDS Group), a global market leader in sealing product technology for the oil, gas and energy sectors, from Eurazeo PME for a consideration of €450m
- Advised Columbia Capital in the sale if its portfolio company Cloud Sherpas Inc., a leader in cloud advisory and technology services, to Accenture
- Advised the management team of CPA Global (both as sellers and in relation to their new equity terms) on its sale by private equity firm, Cinven, to Leonard Green & Partners for £2.4bn
- Advised the management of Curaeos in respect of the sale of Curaeos by Bencis Capital Partners and management to EQT and the subsequent roll over by management

- Advised Duke Street LLP on the secondary buy-out of TeamSport Holdings Limited for consideration of £42m
- Advised the management team of Element Materials Technology Group Limited on the equity funding of the proposed takeover of Exova Group plc
- Advised in relation to the acquisition and investment into Grenade Holdings Limited by Lion Capital for £72m
- Advised on the sale of the Hillarys Blinds group by European Capital and management to trade buyer Hunter Douglas
- Advised the management team on the acquisition of Holland & Barrett by Letter One Retail for £1.8bn
- Advised Hudson Ferry Capital in its investment in Soft-Tex Manufacturing, a manufacturer, importer, and distributor of numerous bedding products
- Advised ICV Partners, LLC in its acquisition of Interventional Management Services, LLC, an ambulatory surgery center management company headquartered in Atlanta, GA
- Advised management of JC Rathbone Associates Limited ("JCRA"), a provider of hedging, financial risk and debt consultancy services, including interest rate and foreign exchange advice, on its management buy-out
- Advised Kohlberg & Company, L.L.C. in its sale of Chronos Life Settlement Portfolio to Financial Credit Investment II Limited
- Advised L Capital Management in the £556m acquisition of a majority stake in SMCP, the leading ready-to-wear affordable luxury apparel retailer, from the American investment fund KKR
- Advised Lloyds Development Capital (LDC) on the disposal of Nexinto Limited, a German-based provider of e-commerce hosting sourcing solutions
- Advised Lloyds Development Capital (LDC) in relation to its £11m investment in Traditional Lakeland Cottages Limited
- Advised Lloyds Development Capital (LDC) and individual sellers on the sale of the entire issued share capital of Antler Limited to Endless
- Advised LLR Partners, Inc. in the acquisition of Agility Recovery Solutions, Inc., a provider of disaster recovery solutions across the United States and Canada
- Advised MSouth Equity Partners in its acquisition of Safemark, Inc., a Florida based provider of technology-enabled secure storage, mobility and guest amenity solutions
- Advised Oakley Capital Limited in the acquisition of North Technology Group, a Marine technology group which includes the worldwide leading sailmaker, "North Sails"
- Advised the management team in relation to the acquisition of Paysafe Plc by CVC and Blackstone for £3bn
- Advised QHotels in relation to the £525m sale of the 26 hotel group, one of the largest UK hotel deals in 2017
- Advised Renovus Capital Partners, L.P. in the acquisition of Dolinka Group, LLC, a provider of facilities planning, financial advisory and demographic consulting services to education agencies
- Advised Signum Technology, a leading manufacturer of safety-critical flow control products for the energy sector (backed by Phoenix Equity Partners), in relation to its acquisition of VeeBee Filtration (“VeeBee”), a world leader in the design and manufacture of filtration technology for fluid transfer applications
- Advised Sun European Partners, LLP on the acquisitions of Jacques Vert, Bonmarche and American Golf
- Advised the founders and management sellers on the sale and reinvestment in Third Bridge Group Limited to private equity investor IK Investment Partners
- Advised the management team of TMF Group, a global provider of compliance and administration services, on its acquisition by CVC Capital Partners from DH Private Equity Partners for a total consideration of €1.75bn
- Advised Triton Pacific Capital Partners in its sale of Columbia Medical Manufacturing, premier manufacturer of innovative complex rehabilitation products that enhance the lives of children with disabilities, to Drive Medical, a global manufacturer of durable medical equipment
- Advised The Wicks Group of Companies, L.L.C. in its acquisition of Little Sprouts, Inc., a nationally recognized provider of pre-kindergarten (Pre-K) educational services operating seven child enrichment centers in the Boston metro-market

INSIGHTS

Publications

Restructuring Global Insight - Strategies of investing in distressed debt, and more

7 JUL 2017

RESTRUCTURING E-NEWSLETTER - GLOBAL INSIGHT SERIES

In this edition we continue the topic of legislative reform, with articles concerning new safe harbour provisions in Australia, laws to facilitate the better coordination of corporate group insolvencies in Germany, and more.

European distressed debt and private equity - defensive strategies coming to the fore?

7 JUL 2017

Where a corporate borrower defaults on its debt terms, distressed debt investors are often presented with opportunities to acquire the debt at a discount. The strategy of investing in distressed debt presents investors with a number of opportunities.

Events

Previous

IPEM 2019

22-24 JAN 2019

Paris

NEWS

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acting for Onex Corporation in $5 billion acquisition of WestJet Airlines Ltd.

16 MAY 2019

On May 13, 2019, Onex Corporation announced that it had entered into a definitive agreement in which it will acquire all outstanding shares of WestJet Airlines Ltd. in an all-cash transaction valued at CDN $5 billion.

DLA Piper announces launch of Artificial Intelligence practice

14 MAY 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Artificial Intelligence practice, which will focus on assisting companies as they navigate the legal landscape of emerging and disruptive technologies, while helping them understand the legal and compliance risks arising from the creation and deployment of AI systems.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP ranked in 2019 *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*

3 MAY 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that thirty-eight of the firm's lawyers have been recognized as leading practitioners in the 2019 edition of the *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*.

Bretton Woods Law Canada to join DLA Piper (Canada) LLP's Montréal office

1 MAY 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce it has reached an agreement with the Montréal office of Bretton Woods Law Canada. Effective May 1, 2019, Bretton Woods Canada's team of four lawyers and an articling student will join DLA Piper Canada's Montréal office.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acting for Difference Capital Financial Inc. in combination with Mogo Finance Technology Inc.

26 APR 2019

On April 15, 2019 Difference Capital Financial Inc. announced that it entered into an arrangement agreement pursuant to which it would acquire all of the issued and outstanding common shares of Mogo Finance Technology Inc. DLA Piper Canada is representing the special committee of Difference Capital's board of directors, as lead counsel in this transaction.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acting for Autopro Automation Consultants Ltd. in three-party transaction with Universal mCloud Corp. and Fulcrum Automation Technologies

26 APR 2019

Universal mCloud Corp., Fulcrum Automation Technologies and Autopro Automation Consultants Ltd. have announced the signing of letters of intent for a transaction under which Autopro and Fulcrum will be acquired by mCloud for consideration of cash and shares. DLA Piper Canada is acting on behalf of Autopro in this three-party transaction.

DLA Piper represents Cowen and Canaccord Genuity as lead underwriters of Greenlane Holdings IPO

23 APR 2019

DLA Piper represented Cowen and Company, LLC and Canaccord Genuity LLC as the lead underwriters in the recently completed upsized US$102 million initial public offering of Greenlane Holdings (NASDAQ: GNLN).

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Natalie Prange

22 APR 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Natalie Prange to the firm's Toronto office as an associate in the Projects, Energy and Infrastructure Group.

DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2019

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 77 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2019 in the United States and May 1, 2019 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 43 different offices throughout 20 countries.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Stephen Wintermute

25 MAR 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Stephen Wintermute to the firm's Vancouver office as an associate in the Securities & Capital Markets Group.

Advising Zetta Jet on foreign insolvency judgment in Singapore

19 MAR 2019

DLA Piper acted as international counsel to Zetta Jet Pte. Ltd. (a Singapore-incorporated company) ("Zetta Jet") and others, as applicants, in a seminal judgment on the recognition of foreign insolvency proceedings under the UNCITRAL Model Law on Cross-Border Insolvency (as adopted in Singapore in 2017) (the "Singapore Model Law").

DLA Piper advises China Ping An Insurance Overseas (Holdings) Co. Ltd. on investment in GDS Holdings Limited

18 MAR 2019

DLA Piper represented China Ping An Insurance Overseas (Holdings) Co. Ltd. (Ping An Overseas) in entering into a definitive agreement to make an equity investment in the NASDAQ listed GDS Holdings Limited (GDS), a leading developer and operator of high-performance data centers in China. Ping An Overseas paid a subscription price of US$150 million for convertible preferred shares in GDS.

DLA Piper advises Merlin Entertainments on the A$174 million sale of Australian ski resorts

13 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Merlin Entertainments, a global leader in location based entertainment, on the A$174 million sale of its Australian ski resorts, Hotham and Falls Creek, to US ski resort operator Vail Resorts, Inc.

DLA Piper advises Laureate on US$28 million asset sale

6 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Baltimore-based and Nasdaq listed Laureate Education (NASDAQ:LAUR), the world's largest global network of higher education institutions, on the sale of Laureate's interest in Stamford International University (Stamford) to China YuHua Education Investment Limited (YuHua) (6169:HK).

DLA Piper announces launch of Blockchain and Digital Assets practice

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Blockchain and Digital Assets practice, which will offer strategic advice on a global basis to address the needs of companies implementing blockchain technology solutions and creating and deploying digital assets.

Chambers Global 2019 recommends DLA Piper (Canada) LLP

19 FEB 2019

Nine DLA Piper (Canada) LLP practitioners have received rankings in the 2019 edition of *Chambers Global*, which conducts thousands of independent peer and client interviews every year to identify top legal talents from around the world.

DLA Piper advises Seequent Limited on its acquisition of Canadian software company Geosoft

19 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has advised Accel-KKR and its portfolio company, Seequent Limited ("Seequent"), in connection with Seequent's acquisition of Geosoft, a Canadian-based software company.

DLA Piper recognized as a leading private equity, venture capital and M&A firm in *PitchBook*'s league tables

19 FEB 2019

For the second consecutive year, DLA Piper was the only firm to rank as one of the top five most active law firms for private equity, venture capital and M&A deal volume in *PitchBook*'s 2018 global league tables report.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP featured in Lexpert's "Top 10 Deals of 2018"

18 FEB 2019

We are pleased to have acted on two of the transactions included in *Lexpert* magazine's "Top 10 Deals of 2018" and congratulate our clients on these standout transactions that have been deemed among the most impactful in the country last year.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for CDW Canada Corp. in its acquisition of Scalar Decisions Inc.

14 FEB 2019

DLA Piper Canada represented CDW Canada Corp. in its acquisition of Scalar Decisions Inc., a leading technology solutions provider in Canada.

DLA Piper advises Samsung Electronics on its investment in Verimi

1 FEB 2019

DLA Piper has advised Samsung Electronics on its investment in Verimi GmbH. Samsung Electronics joins a group of twelve international companies from a variety of industries. These include Allianz, Axel Springer, Bundesdruckerei, Core, Daimler, Deutsche Bahn, Deutsche Bank und Postbank, Deutsche Telekom, Lufthansa and Volkswagen Financial Services.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Patrick Burgess

1 FEB 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to announce that Patrick Burgess has joined our Calgary office as a senior energy counsel. Pat brings to the firm over 34 years of experience in all aspects of energy law, including domestic and international oil and gas, property acquisitions and dispositions, property exchanges and diverse joint venture transactions.

DLA Piper advises CIRCOR in US$85 million sale of Reliability Services business to RelaDyne

28 JAN 2019

DLA Piper represented CIRCOR International, Inc., a provider of flow control solutions and other highly engineered products for the industrial, energy, aerospace and defense markets, in the sale of its Reliability Services business to an affiliate of RelaDyne LLC for approximately US$85 million.

DLA Piper strengthens ASEAN Corporate and Finance offering with key partner hire

21 JAN 2019

DLA Piper has strengthened its Corporate and Finance offering with the appointment of Philip Lee as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in Singapore.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Jonathan Fraser

16 JAN 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Jonathan Fraser to the firm’s Edmonton office as an associate in the Corporate group.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for TRG Group Benefits and Pensions Inc. in acquisition by Hub International Limited

14 JAN 2019

DLA Piper Canada acted on behalf of the seller, TRG Group Benefits and Pensions Inc., in its acquisition by Hub International Limited.

DLA Piper tops *Mergermarket, Thomson Reuters* league tables

9 JAN 2019

For the ninth consecutive year, DLA Piper earned the top legal advisor ranking globally for overall M&A deal volume, according to *Mergermarket*'s league tables.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represents Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. and Sumitomo Corporation in the acquisition of the Pogo Gold Mine in Alaska by Northern Star Resources for US$260 million

7 JAN 2019
On September 28, 2018, Sumitomo Metal Mining Co., Ltd. and Sumitomo Corp. completed the US$260 million sale of the Pogo Gold Mine in Alaska to Northern Star Resources.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes four new partners

2 JAN 2019
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes four new additions to the partnership, effective January 1, 2019.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP recognized in 2019 *Legal 500 Canada guide*

7 DEC 2018
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that 42 firm lawyers across 17 practice areas have been recommended in the latest edition of the *Legal 500 Canada*.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Fabjola Gera

5 DEC 2018
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Fabjola Gera to the firm's Edmonton office as an associate in the Corporate group.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Eamon Hurley

3 DEC 2018
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Eamon Hurley to the firm's Calgary office as Counsel in the Corporate Group.

Catherine Gibson named one of Women's Executive Network 2018 Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 Award Winner

22 NOV 2018
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to congratulate Catherine Gibson, Managing Partner of the firm's Vancouver office, on being named a Women's Executive Network (WXN) 2018 Canada's Most Powerful Women: Top 100 Award Winner presented by KPMG.

Trevor Wong-Chor appointed Chair of Canadian Securities and Capital Markets Group

20 NOV 2018
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Trevor Wong-Chor has been named Chair of the Securities & Capital Markets service group.

DLA Piper advises Webjet on purchase of Middle East headquartered Destinations of the World

7 November

DLA Piper has advised Australian online travel business Webjet Limited on its US$ 173 million purchase of UAE based Destinations of the World and related fully underwritten entitlement offer. Destinations of the World was sold by Abu Dhabi based private equity fund Gulf Capital.

DLA Piper completes global compliance survey of initial coin offerings and securities token offerings

6 NOV 2018

DLA Piper has completed a global compliance survey of initial coin offerings (ICOs) and securities token offerings (STOs), identifying how governments and agencies in more than 70 jurisdictions define, regulate and tax tokens and associated transactions.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for Pinnacle Renewable Holdings Inc. in acquisition of 70% interest in Aliceville, Alabama wood pellet mill

19 OCT 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP, in conjunction with DLA Piper LLP (US), acted as lead counsel for Pinnacle Renewable Holdings Inc. in the acquisition of a 70% interest in an operating industrial wood pellet production facility located in Aliceville, Alabama from The Westervelt Company for approximately US$37.1 million.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP and DLA Piper Tokyo Partnership acted for Nippon Paper Industries Co., Ltd., Marubeni Corporation and Daishowa North America Corporation in the $465 million acquisition of jointly owned Canadian pulp producer by Mercer International Inc.

12 OCT 2018

On October 4, 2018, Nippon Paper Industries Co., Ltd., Marubeni Corporation and Daishowa North America Corporation announced an agreement to sell the shares of the jointly owned Daishowa-Marubeni International Ltd., to Mercer International Inc. DLA Piper Canada and DLA Piper Tokyo Partnership acted on behalf of the sellers.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represents The Coca Cola Company in the sale of its Canadian bottling operations

9 OCT 2018

On October 1, 2018 Coca-Cola Canada Bottling Limited announced that it had acquired Coca-Cola Refreshments Canada from The Coca-Cola Company. DLA Piper (Canada) LLP, in conjunction with DLA Piper LLP (US), acted as lead M&A counsel to the The Coca-Cola Company through all stages of the transaction.

DLA Piper advises James Hardie Industries in its €400 million debut euro bond offering

4 OCT 2018

DLA Piper represented James Hardie Industries, a global manufacturer and marketer of fiber cement products, in its €400 million debut euro bond offering.

DLA Piper Canada recognized by *Chambers Canada* 2019

27 SEP 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to be recognized as an industry leader in the 2019 edition of *Chambers Canada*. With 34 lawyers recognized across 20 practices areas, this is DLA Piper Canada's strongest showing to date.

DLA Piper advises Palisade on acquisition of equity stake in HCL fiber optic cable business

14 September

DLA Piper has advised Palisade Investment Partners Limited (Palisade), on behalf of funds that it manages, on the acquisition of a significant equity stake with board representation in HCL Limited Partnership, HCL LP General Partner Limited and International Connectivity Services Limited.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for Carnival Corporation in the US $290 million acquisition of the White Pass and Yukon Route from TWC Enterprises Limited

12 SEP 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP, in conjunction with DLA Piper LLP (US), acted for Carnival Corporation (“Carnival”) in the US $290 million acquisition of the White Pass and Yukon Route railway (”WPYR”) from TWC Enterprises Limited.

DLA Piper's Africa practice triumphs at Africa Legal Awards

11 SEP 2018

DLA Piper Africa is proud to announce that its Zimbabwean member firm, Manokore Attorneys, took home the ‘African Law Firm of the Year - Small Practice’ award at The African Legal Awards, which took place on Friday 7 September 2018 at The Wanderers Club, in Johannesburg, South Africa.

DLA Piper Advises Riversdale Resources on its $70 million strategic placement to Hancock

31 August

DLA Piper has advised Australian incorporated coal development company, Riversdale Resources ("Riversdale"), on its $70 million placement to Hancock, resulting in Hancock's acquisition of a strategic stake in Riversdale. The investment values Riversdale at approximately $500 million.

DLA Piper advises Baring Vostok on the acquisition of a minority stake in Belarusian software developer Itransition

23 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Baring Vostok, a private equity fund investing in Russia and the Commonwealth of Independent States, on its acquisition of a minority stake in Itransition, a leading Belarusian software solutions developer and full-spectrum IT services provider.

Best Lawyers in Canada 2019 recognizes 72 DLA Piper (Canada) LLP Lawyers

22 AUG 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to have once more increased its rankings in the 2019 edition of *Best Lawyers*, with close to one-third of the firm's lawyers recommended as leading practitioners in Canada across key practice areas.

DLA Piper advises Helios Technologies on acquisition of Custom Fluidpower

13 AUG 2018

DLA Piper has advised Helios Technologies (Nasdaq: SNHY) on the 100% acquisition of Australian business Custom Fluidpower for AU$35 million (approximately US$26 million) on 1 August, 2018. The acquisition was funded using cash and shares of SNHY common stock.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for the seller of CUL Administration of Canada Ltd. in acquisition by Auto Financial Group

10 AUG 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represented the seller of CUL Administration of Canada Ltd in its acquisition by Auto Financial Group (“AFG”).

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Ashley Boyes

7 AUG 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Ashley Boyes to the firm’s Toronto office as an associate in the Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations group.

DLA Piper advises Avison Young in investment by Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec

16 JUL 2018

DLA Piper represented Avison Young in connection with a CA$250 million preferred equity investment in the firm by Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec.

DLA Piper advised Morrison & Co on AU$6 billion funds management transfer

6 JUL 2018

DLA Piper has advised Morrison & Co (MCO) on the formal transition of its appointment as manager of Utilities Trust of Australia (UTA), effective 1 July 2018.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Ilia Danef

3 JUL 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to announce that Ilia Danef has joined the firm as a partner in the Toronto office. Ilia brings with him an extensive finance practice with a focus on debt finance. He also regularly represents clients in corporate transactions and mergers and acquisitions in the projects, energy and infrastructure and the financial institutions sectors.

DLA Piper Africa welcomes Zimbabwe member firm

19 JUN 2018
DLA Piper Africa has announced that leading Zimbabwean law firm, Manokore Attorneys, is joining as the member firm in Zimbabwe.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes associate Kevin Emamian

18 JUN 2018
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Kevin Emamian to the firm’s Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate and Real Estate groups.

DLA Piper boosts London Corporate practice with major partner hire

6 Jun 2018

DLA Piper today announces that Martin Nelson-Jones will be joining the firm as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in London.

Martin will be joining the firm from Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, where he was a partner since 2001 and served as co-head of their global infrastructure and transport sector group. He specialises in M&A and has worked across a range of sectors, including energy and infrastructure. Martin advises both corporates and financial investors.

DLA Piper advises StackPath on its acquisition of Server Density

17 MAY 2018
DLA Piper has advised StackPath, a leading secure edge services platform provider headquartered in Dallas, TX, on its cross-border acquisition of Server Density.

DLA Piper to launch new office in Dublin with leading partner hire

15 MAY 2018

DLA Piper today announces that it will be opening an office in Dublin, Ireland, alongside the hire of partner David Carthy. The new office will focus on the Financial Services, Technology and Life Sciences sectors initially.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Gargi Chopra

7 MAY 2018
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Gargi Chopra to the firm’s Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate group.

DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2018

3 APR 2018

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 62 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of 1 April 2018 in the United States and 1 May 2018 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 42 different offices throughout 20 countries.

DLA Piper advises FMO on JCM Power investment

26 MAR 2018
A cross-jurisdictional DLA Piper team from London and Toronto has assisted FMO (the Dutch development bank investing in growth and frontier markets) on its cornerstone investment into JCM Power.

DLA Piper advises Deutsche Bank on Paladin Restructuring

28 FEB 2018

DLA Piper has advised Deutsche Bank on its special situations investment in Australian listed Paladin Energy Limited (PEL), which holds substantial uranium and mining assets in Namibia, Malawi, Canada and certain Australian states.

Chambers Global 2018 recommends DLA Piper Canada

20 FEB 2018
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP professionals are once again featured in the latest edition of the *Chambers Global* guide.

DLA Piper recognized as a global and national leader in M&A, private equity and venture capital by *PitchBook*

16 FEB 2018

DLA Piper is one of the most active law firms for M&A, private equity and venture capital deal volume and was the **only** firm to rank in the top five of each category in *PitchBook's* 2017 global league tables report.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Robbie Grossman

16 FEB 2018
DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Robbie Grossman as a partner in the Toronto office. Robbie brings with him a significant cross border securities, M&A and corporate finance practice underscored by deep experience in acting for emerging issuers and public companies.

DLA Piper advises Cabinet Group on Funcom joint venture

9 FEB 2018

DLA Piper represented Cabinet Group LLC on tax and Norwegian law matters in its joint venture with Funcom N.V., a Norwegian developer, to establish Heroic Signatures.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Rohan Rajpal

6 FEB 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Rojan Rajpal to the firm’s Toronto office as an associate in the Corporate Group.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP advises Tidewater Midstream and Infrastructure Ltd. on $125 million private placement of senior notes

26 JAN 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represented Tidewater Midstream and Infrastructure Ltd (TSX: TWM) in the issuance of $125 million aggregate principal amount of 6.75% senior unsecured notes due 2022, by way of a private placement.

DLA Piper advises Immunomedics on royalty funding and stock purchase agreements with Royalty Pharma which raised an aggregate of US$250 million

9 JAN 2018

DLA Piper represented Immunomedics, Inc., in the sale of tiered, sales-based royalty rights on global net sales of sacituzumab govitecan (IMMU-132) to Royalty Pharma for US$175 million. Royalty Pharma has also purchased US$75 million in common stock of Immunomedics, at US$17.15 per share.

DLA Piper tops Mergermarket's global league table for eighth consecutive year

9 JAN 2018

For the eighth consecutive year, DLA Piper earned the top legal advisor ranking globally for overall M&A deal volume in 2017, according to *Mergermarket*'s league tables.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes six new partners

8 JAN 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to welcome six new additions to the partnership, effective January 1, 2018.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes important additions to the Restructuring group

31 DEC 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to welcome Edmond Lamek as Partner and Danny Nunes as Associate Counsel to our national Restructuring group. Both Edmond and Danny will join our Toronto office.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP expands rankings in *Legal 500 Canada*

1 DEC 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to have achieved its best showing to date in *Legal 500 Canada*, with 11 lawyers gaining new rankings in the newly released 2018 edition.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new restructuring partner Mike Weinczok

1 DEC 2017
Mike's practice encompasses all aspects of business restructuring, distress investing and commercial lending.

Sumitomo Metal Mining joint venture with IAMGOLD receives prestigious PDAC Award

30 NOV 2017
DLA Piper Canada acted for Sumitomo in the transaction which involved Sumitomo and IAMGOLD establishing a strategic joint venture concurrent with the acquisition by Sumitomo of a 30% participating interest in IAMGOLD's ownership of the Côté Gold Project in Ontario for USD $195 million in June 2017.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Charlie MacCready

23 OCT 2017
Charlie brings extensive Canadian and cross-border experience in the areas of mergers and acquisitions, securities, corporate and business law.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP increases rankings in *Chambers Canada 2018*

29 SEP 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to be recognized for its expanding market leadership in the 2018 edition of *Chambers Canada*, garnering its highest number of rankings to date.

DLA Piper launches new platform for *Guide to Going Global* series

20 SEP 2017

DLA Piper has launched a new platform featuring its *Guide to Going Global* series, an online resource designed to help companies operating and growing their international businesses.

DLA Piper advises Updater Inc. on AU$50 million equity raising

12 SEP 2017
DLA Piper has advised US technology company Updater Inc. (ASX: UPD) on its AU$50 million equity raising via an institutional placement.

Christopher Ross joins DLA Piper Canada LLP's Tax Group in Vancouver

11 SEP 2017

Christopher practises in the area of corporate and personal income tax, with particular emphasis on corporate reorganizations, mergers and acquisitions, and personal tax and estate planning. He also provides tax advice to donors, charities and other not-for-profit organizations.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP achieves strongest showing to date in *Best Lawyers*

22 AUG 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP has once again garnered top rankings in *Best Lawyers in Canada*, with close to one-third of the firm's lawyers ranked across 34 practice areas.

Maxwell Technologies completes its acquisition of Nesscap energy business

13 JUL 2017

On April 28, 2017, Maxwell Technologies, Inc. completed its acquisition of substantially all of the assets and business, including the operating entities, of Nesscap Energy Inc. (TSXV: NCE) pursuant to a court approved arrangement under the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario).

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP advised Assured Automotive in $193.6 million sale of business

5 JUL 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP represented Assured Automotive Inc. in its sale of assets and business to Boyd Group Income Fund for $194 million. Ontario-based Assured is the largest operator of non-franchised collision repair centres in Canada, while the Boyd Group is one of North America’s largest operators of auto repair facilities. The purchase price was funded with cash consideration and Boyd Group Income Fund units, which trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange (TSX). With the acquisition, the Boyd Group expanded its network to 474 locations across North America, including 110 in Canada. Assured will continue to operate under its original brand name.

The DLA Piper transaction team was led by Robert Black and included Russel Drew, Lana Finney, Sarah Bode, Michael Richards, Bruce Darlington, Stephen Morris, Derek Sigel, Kevin Fritz, Nicholas Sharratt, Ryan Campbell and Diana Weir.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP recognized for restructuring transaction at 9th Annual International M&A Awards

20 JUN 2017

The M&A Advisor has named the USD $5.4 billion restructuring of Pacific Exploration & Production Corporation (“Pacific”) “Corporate/Strategic Deal of the Year (Over $1B)” at the 9th Annual International M&A Awards.

Samantha C. Kernahan joins DLA Piper (Canada) LLP's Edmonton office

19 JUN 2017

Samantha's seasoned expertise in intellectual property law and corporate/commercial law will add considerable depth to the firm's capabilities across sectors.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Katelyn Ellins and Sydney Kert to its Toronto office

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5 JUN 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome two new associates to its expanding Toronto office.