



Securities and Corporate Finance

DLA Piper's Securities and Corporate Finance practice consists of individuals with a diverse mix of skills and experience. We skillfully handle a wide range of sophisticated and multi-faceted transactions in a complex and evolving legal environment.

We have extensive experience in all aspects of securities law and corporate finance including public offerings, private placements, venture capital financing, takeover bids, issuer bids, mergers and acquisitions and the day-to-day servicing of public companies.

Our experience includes:

Offerings

- Engaging in prospectus offerings for national and local issuers, initial public offerings, capital pool company offerings, income fund and trust offerings, bought deals and special warrant financings
- Undertaking short form prospectus system offerings, MJDS offerings, shelf offerings and rights offerings
- Facilitating the establishment of national mid-term note programs, Canadian, US, UK and other stock exchange listings and US offerings

Financings

- Facilitating institutional and private venture capital financing, debt and equity financing and structuring sound investment and exit strategies; we act for most major institutional venture capital firms, as well as numerous private venture capital firms and merchant banks
- Advising on numerous specialized transactions, including capital pool company IPO's and qualifying transactions, a variety of tax advantaged structures, joint venture exploration and development, flow-through share financing and other mining transactions
- Conducting institutional exempt offerings, "seed capital" financings, offering memoranda, cross-border and offshore financings, including Regulation S Rule 144A placements and 10B financings

Mergers and Acquisitions

- Preparing and handling takeover and reverse takeover bids, issuer bids, proxy contests and the information circulars issued in connection with those transactions.
- Advising on amalgamations, plans of arrangement, divestitures and a variety of other corporate reorganizations and restructuring transactions.

RELATED SERVICES

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Public Private Partnerships and PFI

RELATED SECTORS

- Financial Services
- Mining

Corporate Governance

- Offering corporate governance advice to directors and officers of public companies, including director, officer and audit committee duties and liabilities
- Advising on continuous disclosure obligations such as the preparation of MD&A, executive compensation disclosure and SHAIIF, SEDAR / EDGAR filings, annual and special meetings, proxy information circulars, related party transactions, proxy fights and the drafting of shareholder rights plans
- Establishing reinvestment plans for stock options, SAR plans, employee benefits and dividend reinvestment plans and other employee purchase and option plans

Securities Industry

- Advising securities dealers on the underwriting of a variety of offerings, registration of Canadian and foreign dealers, portfolio managers and advisors, representation at broker-dealer disciplinary hearings and with OSC Rule 61-501 compliance (Insider Bids, Issuer Bids, Going Private Transactions and Related Party Transactions)
- Representing local and national issuers, securities dealers, investors and venture capitalists as well as foreign issuers and investors in the Canadian and US financial markets. Our lawyers are qualified to practice in British Columbia, Alberta, Saskatchewan, Québec and Ontario

Taxation

- Advising on tax planning, drawing upon the experience of our Taxation group

EXPERIENCE

- Acting for Rio Alto Mining Ltd. in its \$1.35 Billion Sale to Tahoe Resources Inc., in a Definitive Agreement to Combine Companies into a New Intermediate Precious Metals Producer
- Acted for Canfrac Sands Ltd. in Closing the Sale of all of its Frac Sands Business to a Private Alberta Corporation
- Acted for Western Forest Products Inc. in the completion of its \$230 million secondary offering
- Represented Pattern Renewable Holdings Canada ULC in its purchase of the Meikle and Tumbler Ridge wind power projects in northern British Columbia
- Acted for Cortex Business Solutions Inc. in a short form prospectus offering of common shares for aggregate gross proceeds of \$10 million
- Acted for Sundance Energy Corporation in its \$22 million Amalgamation with Ceno Energy Limited
- Acted for Eaglewood Energy Inc. in its \$33 million acquisition by Transform Exploration Pty Ltd.
- Acted for Rio Alto Mining Limited in the acquisition of Sulliden Gold Corporation Ltd.
- Acted for Rubicon Minerals Corporation on its \$12 Million Bought Deal Flow-Through Financing
- Acted for DeeThree Exploration Ltd. on its \$73 million equity financing
- Acted for Canacol Energy Ltd. on its CAD\$125 Million equity financing
- Acted for Canacol Energy Ltd. on its \$220 Million Second Amended and Restated Credit Facility
- Acted for Rubicon Minerals Corporation on its \$115 Million Bought Deal Financing
- Acted for Western Forest Products on its \$91 Million Secondary Offering by Brookfield Special Situations
- Acted for Gtech International Resources Limited in its Acquisition of Simavita Holdings Limited
- Acted for Western Forest Products on its \$66.7 Million Secondary Offering by Brookfield Special Situations
- Acted for Western Forest Products on its \$100 million Issuer Bid.
- Acted for Western Forest Products on its conversion of non-voting shares
- Represented Questfire Energy Corp. on its \$94 million purchase of 5,600 boe/d of conventional Alberta producing assets from

Advantage Oil & Gas Ltd. and related bank financing

- Acted for Western Forest Products on its \$100 million Issuer Bid and Initiation of regular dividend
- Represents ITG Canada Corp. in its backing of a new Canadian stock exchange
- Acted for Mizuho Corporate Bank, Ltd. in connection with a unique structured financing transaction
- Act for TD Securities Inc. in connection with securitization transactions relating to a portfolio of auto and sign leases
- Acted for PNG Gold Corporation in connection with its reverse takeover of International Silver Ridge Resources Inc. and its subsequent \$38 million private placement
- Acted as securities counsel to Yukon Development Corporation in connection with its \$100 million bond offering
- Acted for DXP Enterprises, Inc. in connection with its \$23.5 million acquisition of Industrial Paramedic Services Ltd.
- Acted for Canacol Energy Ltd. on its \$140 million acquisition of Shona Energy Company, Inc. by way of a statutory plan of arrangement

INSIGHTS

Publications

CSA announces proposed changes to the offering memorandum prospectus exemption

22 September 2020

The Canadian Securities Administrators published for comment proposed amendments to clarify disclosure required by issuers engaged in real estate activities and issuers considered a collective investment vehicle, when utilizing the offering memorandum prospectus exemption available under NI 45-106.

TSXV extends temporary relief of \$0.05 minimum pricing requirements

21 September 2020

The TSX Venture Exchange has extended the temporary relief from the \$0.05 minimum pricing requirements, such that it will apply to shares that are issued on or before December 31, 2020.

Demystifying SAFEs: The good, the bad, and the ugly

30 JUL 2020

If you have spent any amount of time within the startup ecosystem in the past half decade, you're likely familiar with the concept of the Simple Agreement for Future Equity, or SAFE. First introduced by YCombinator in 2013, the SAFE has caught on as a quick and efficient way of raising early capital. However, despite being labelled as "simple" (it's right there in the name!), SAFEs can quite often be confusing to the uninitiated.

This article seeks to lay bare the good, the bad, and the ugly of the SAFE by providing the context necessary to better understand its purpose and underlying mechanisms.

CSA grants issuers temporary relief from the executive compensation disclosure requirements in light of COVID-19

5 MAY 2020

On May 1, 2020, the Canadian Securities Administrators (the "CSA") announced that public companies may rely upon temporary blanket relief (the "Blanket Relief") from certain requirements with respect to the filing and delivery of their executive compensation disclosure and the delivery of their financial statements and MD&A, which are generally completed by issuers in

connection with the mailing and filing of materials for their AGMs.

TSXV lowers \$0.05 minimum pricing requirement to \$0.01

9 APR 2020

On April 8, 2020, in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the TSX Venture Exchange published a corporate finance bulletin outlining temporary relief available to issuers lowering the TSXV's minimum pricing requirement for financings from \$0.05 to \$0.01.

Securities regulators, TSX and TSXV provide relief for market participants due to COVID-19 (Canada)

25 MAR 2020

In response to ongoing developments related to COVID-19 and its impact on market participants, each of the Canadian Securities Administrators ("CSA"), the Toronto Stock Exchange (the "TSX") and the TSX Venture Exchange (the "TSXV"), have provided relief for issuers, dealers and investment funds.

Canadian Securities Administrators provide guidance on AGMs during the COVID-19 outbreak

20 MAR 2020

In recognition of the increasing concerns regarding COVID-19, and in an effort to add further clarity, on March 20, 2020, the Canadian Securities Administrators issued a press release, titled "*Canadian Securities Regulators Provide Guidance on Conducting Annual General Meetings During COVID-19 Outbreak*". The CSAs press release was prepared to address all business transacted at annual shareholder meetings.

Alberta court allows Securities Commission penalty to survive bankruptcy

24 FEB 2020

On January 17, 2020, Justice Romaine of the Alberta Court of Queen's Bench found that the Alberta Securities Commission's administrative penalties against Theodor Hennig survived Hennig's discharge in bankruptcy. This decision marks the first time a Canadian court has considered securities regulatory penalties within the context of subsection 178(1) of the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*.

Lessons from the Alberta Securities Commission 2019 Corporate Finance Disclosure Report

5 JAN 2020

In December 2019, the Alberta Securities Commission (the "ASC") released its 2019 Corporate Finance Disclosure Report (the "Report"). This bulletin summarizes the ASC's key findings and pursuant to its review of public company filings in 2019 and provides useful guidance for public companies preparing 2020 continuous disclosure filings.

You can run but you can't hide: American Court to rule on enforceability of Canadian securities disgorgement order

5 FEB 2020

In May 2019, a district court of Nevada recognized a CAD\$21.7 million disgorgement order issued by the British Columbia Securities Commission against Michael Patrick Lathigee, a Canadian national residing in Nevada. At the time of the Nevada district court decision, the BCSC stated that it was the first time a court in the United States had recognized an order from the BCSC. This decision has since been appealed to the Nevada Supreme Court. If the District Court decision is upheld, it may mark the first time an American court recognizes an order from a Canadian securities regulator.

Canadian Securities Administrators announce consultation on an access equals delivery model for non-investment fund reporting issuers

28 JAN 2020

On January 9, 2020, the Canadian Securities Administrators published Consultation Paper 51-405 Consideration of an Access Equals Delivery Model for Non-Investment Fund Reporting Issuers for comment by market participants. Specifically, the intention of the Consultation Paper is to solicit comments from market participants on the appropriateness of introducing an “access equals delivery” regulatory model for the delivery of documents to investors pursuant to securities legislation.

Canadian Securities Administrators clarify disclosure requirements for reporting issuers in the cannabis industry

27 NOV 2019

The Canadian Securities Administrators have published additional guidance relating to the disclosure of financial interests in the context of M&A transactions for reporting issuers in the cannabis and other emerging growth industries.

Ontario Securities Commission announces over 100 initiatives to reduce burden for capital market participants

26 NOV 2019

On November 19, 2019, the Ontario Securities Commission published the “Reducing Regulatory Burden in Ontario’s Capital Markets” report, which includes over 100 initiatives designed to reduce the regulatory burden for participants in Ontario’s capital markets.

Ontario Securities Commission creates path for publically traded cryptocurrency investment funds

14 NOV 2019

On October 29, 2019, a panel of the Ontario Securities Commission issued a decision that will allow The Bitcoin Fund, managed by 3iQ Corp., a Canadian investment fund manager, to be the first publicly traded bitcoin investment fund.

Canadian Securities Administrators propose new rules for business acquisition reports

7 NOV 2019

The Canadian Securities Administrators have proposed amending the trigger for filing a business acquisition report by reporting issuers that are not venture issuers or investment funds.

Canadian securities regulators propose eight initiatives to reduce regulatory burden for investment funds

23 SEP 2019

On September 12, 2019 the Canadian Securities Administrators published a Notice and Request for Comment on their efforts to

Reduce Regulatory Burdens for Investment Fund Issuers. The Notice represents the second phase of their efforts as the first phase published on May 24, 2018, provided an overview of the CSA's work to date and indicated that the Proposed Amendments and Proposed Changes were forthcoming.

Do not keep quiet, do not collect \$50 million: An update on Alberta's new whistleblower policy

27 NOV 2018

On November 19, 2018 the Alberta Securities Commission announced the adoption of a new whistleblower program aimed at enhancing protections for whistleblowers in Alberta.

SCC endorses legislation creating national securities regulator

12 NOV 2018

Unanimous ruling by the Supreme Court of Canada endorses legislation creating national securities regulator

Canadian Securities Administrators provide new guidance on cryptocurrency offerings and approve exemptive relief for Canadian ICO

1 SEP 2017

On August 24, 2017, Staff of the Canadian Securities Administrators (the "CSA") released CSA Staff Notice 46-307 - *Cryptocurrency Offerings* ("Staff Notice 46-307"). Staff Notice 46-307 follows the report of the Securities Exchange Commission in the United States regarding tokens as securities.

"All the time in the world": Canadian securities regulators adopt fundamental changes to take-over bid regime

22 MAR 2016

The Canadian Securities Administrators have announced the final adoption of fundamental changes to the take-over bid regime in Canada. The new rules represent the most significant changes to Canada's take-over bid regime in decades, and the consequences will be numerous and significant.

Has consensus arrived for the regulation of crowdfunding in Canada?

18 DEC 2015

Equity crowdfunding has captured the interest of small-to medium-sized enterprises and start-ups as a way to raise capital by the distribution/sale of securities to members of the broad public rather than through conventional means. How to best regulate equity crowdfunding has proven to be a vexing issue for Canadian securities regulators in recent years. However, whether a consensus around a new regulatory regime has now developed in Canada is debatable but we at least will have rules in place covering equity crowdfunding in most Canadian jurisdictions.

Defensive tactics in Canadian take-over bids: private placement upheld by BC Securities Commission

17 DEC 2015

There continue to be ongoing debates in the Canadian capital markets about the range of defensive tactics available to the boards of target companies that are faced with a hostile take-over bid. The Canadian Securities Administrators (CSA) have recently seemed reluctant to wade back into this debate, as the CSA did not address the topic of defensive tactics in the latest round of amendments to the Canadian take-over bid regime proposed earlier this year. A recent British Columbia Securities Commission (BCSC) decision, however, sheds new light on the thinking of Canadian securities regulators regarding certain defensive tactics and in particular “friendly” private placements made in the context of a hostile take-over battle.

National Instrument 43-101 and early production decisions: what are the rules and what are the risks?

8 OCT 2015

Most mineral projects that proceed to commercial production do so on the basis of certain advanced technical studies. The key milestone is usually a feasibility study which demonstrates, among other things, the existence of mineral reserves. Canada’s mining disclosure rule, National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects (NI 43-101), is largely based on the assumption that this is the route that a mining company will take. However, there is usually an exception to every rule in life, and there are certain cases where mining companies are able to make a production decision and take a project to production without a feasibility study.

Equity crowdfunding in Canada Q&A: What is the current state of the law?

30 SEP 2015

There is some confusion in the Canadian financial and legal marketplace about the exact state of the law regarding equity crowdfunding. This confusion is understandable, given the fact that there have been a number of different recent developments, and that the current state of affairs is a mix of actual rules and proposed rules. What has happened in Canada is partly a reflection of our somewhat balkanized securities law regime, where we have 13 provinces and territories, each with the ability to implement their own laws (even though we do have mechanisms for harmonization).

The purpose of this bulletin is to try to clear up some of that confusion.

The CSA’s latest continuous disclosure review: Two key takeaways for material contract and mining disclosure

5 AUG 2015

While issuers should pay closer attention to these areas going forward, this bulletin focuses on two other key takeaways from the review: the failure to file material contracts on SEDAR, and the ongoing focus on deficient technical disclosure in the resource sector, particularly mining disclosure.

Significant changes proposed to Canada’s take-over bid laws: Advantage shifts to target companies

8 MAY 2015

The highly anticipated amendments to the take-over bid regime in Canada have now been released by the Canadian Securities Administrators (CSA). The CSA had previously outlined the general nature of these proposed changes in a notice released on September 11, 2014, which we reviewed in a previous bulletin.

Major changes to capital raising exemptions in Canada: Is this good news or bad news for issuers?

7 Apr 2015

CSA proposes dramatic changes to take-over bid rules in Canada: A good day for target companies

16 Sep 2014

A significant proposal regarding the take-over bid regime in Canada was released on September 11, 2014 by the Canadian Securities Administrators (CSA).

CSA's 2014 continuous disclosure review program finds 76% of reviewed issuers disclosed insufficient information

15 Sep 2014

The recently released Canadian Securities Administrators (CSA) Staff Notice 51-341 contains the conclusions from the CSA's Continuous Disclosure Review Program for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2014. The Continuous Disclosure Review Program's goal is to improve the completeness, quality and timeliness of continuous disclosure by reporting issuers in Canada. In general, there are two types of review under the Continuous Disclosure Review Program: a full review and an issue-oriented review

Canadian securities regulators adopt new prospectus exemption for existing security holders

10 Apr 2014

Is equity crowdfunding finally here in Canada?

25 Mar 2014

Provincial securities regulators across Canada have given emerging companies hope that an existing gap in their ability to raise capital will soon be filled. Following a broad review of the exempt market, the Ontario Securities Commission announced plans on March 20, 2014 for an exemption from certain securities regulatory requirements to finally permit equity crowdfunding.

CSA's proposed amendments to accredited investor and minimum amount investment exemptions mean more costs for issuers

19 Mar 2014

On February 27, 2014, the Canadian Securities Administrators (the "CSA") published for comment proposed amendments to the accredited investor exemption under section 2.3 of National Instrument 45-106 *Prospectus and Registration Exemptions* (the "AI Exemption") and the minimum amount investment exemption under section 2.10 of NI 45-106 (the "MA Exemption") (together, the "Proposed Amendments").

Board developments - New TSX majority voting rules and OSC proposals for gender diversity

07 Mar 2014

The Toronto Stock Exchange has adopted amendments to its rules relating to the election of directors. The new rules will require that, subject to certain exemptions, each director of a TSX-listed issuer will be required to be elected by a majority of the votes cast with respect to his or her election. These new rules will not apply to issuers listed on the TSX Venture Exchange.

Canadian mining industry calls for mandatory disclosure of payments to governments

17 Jan 2014

Canada's two largest mining industry groups, the Mining Association of Canada ("MAC") and the Prospectors and Developers Association of Canada ("PDAC"), joined by two civil society transparency groups (together, the "Working Group") released their final report (the "Report") yesterday calling for mandatory disclosure by mining companies that are reporting issuers of their payments to host governments for developing mineral resources.

NEWS

DLA Piper Canada advised Nova Royalty on its public listing on the TSX Venture Exchange and loan facility with Beedie Capital

6 October 2020

On October 1, 2020, Nova Royalty Corp. announced that the common shares of the Company have commenced trading on the TSX Venture Exchange under the ticker symbol "NOVR".

DLA Piper represented Acreage Holdings in implementation of amended arrangement with Canopy Growth

6 October 2020

On September 23, 2020, Canopy Growth Corporation and Acreage Holdings, Inc. announced the implementation of Acreage's previously-announced amended arrangement under section 288 of the *Business Corporations Act*.

DLA Piper Canada advised Metalla Royalty & Streaming on At-The-Market Equity Program

8 September 2020

On September 4, 2020, Metalla Royalty & Streaming Ltd. ("Metalla") (TSXV: MTA) (NYSE American: MTA) entered into an equity distribution agreement with a syndicate of agents, which included BMO Nesbit Burns Inc., Cormark Securities Inc. and Eight Capital, as the Canadian agents, and BMO Capital Markets Corp. and Cormark Securities, as U.S. Agents.

DLA Piper re-hires Finance partner in Germany

1 September 2020

DLA Piper today announces that Dr Wolfram Distler is re-joining the firm as a partner in its Finance practice, based in Frankfurt.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted for DIF Capital Partners in 900 MW Canadian power project investment

31 AUG 2020

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted on behalf of DIF Capital Partners in connection with its investment in the 900-megawatt Cascade Power Project. DIF will invest in the construction of Cascade together with joint equity sponsors OPTrust and Axium Infrastructure.

DLA Piper Canada increases rankings in 2021 edition of *Best Lawyers in Canada*

28 AUG 2020

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to see 79 of our lawyers across 35 practice areas recognized in the 2021 *Best Lawyers in*

Canada guide, resulting in our best showing with the guide since its inception.

DLA Piper advises Concord in closing of US\$1 billion in debt financing

18 August 2020

DLA Piper represented Concord in a US\$600 million term loan B debt offering and US\$450 million revolving credit facility, providing the company with access to over US\$1 billion of total debt financing in one of the largest music industry financings in recent times.

DLA Piper Canada advised Adventus Mining on \$35 million bought deal prospectus offering

17 AUG 2020

On August 14, 2020 Adventus Mining Corporation (“Adventus”) (TSX-V: ADZN) announced it had completed a bought deal prospectus offering of \$35 million. Raymond James Ltd., Haywood Securities Inc., and National Bank Financial Inc. acted as co-lead underwriters of the Offering, with participation by Cormark Securities Inc., BMO Capital Markets Inc., Eight Capital, and Laurentian Bank Securities Inc. DLA Piper Canada was pleased to have advised Adventus on this transaction.

DLA Piper advises AS Roma in its sale to The Friedkin Group for €591 million

17 August 2020

DLA Piper represented AS Roma SPV, LLC, the majority shareholder of Italian soccer club AS Roma, in the sale of its controlling interest in the team and certain related assets to The Friedkin Group, Inc., in a transaction valued at €591 million.

DLA Piper Canada acted for Territory Metals Corp.

12 AUG 2020

Gold79 Mines Ltd. announced the closing of a going public transaction which included an amalgamation transaction with Territory Metals Corp., along with a concurrent private placement, name change and continuance. DLA Piper Canada is pleased to have acted as legal advisors to Territory.

DLA Piper Canada advised Askott Entertainment in its acquisition by FansUnite Entertainment

12 AUG 2020

FansUnite Entertainment Inc., a sports and entertainment company listed on the Canadian Stock Exchange, has completed its acquisition of Askott Entertainment Inc. Askott is a Vancouver based software development company operating since 2013, which focuses on creating both B2B and B2C betting products in the rapidly growing esports industry.

DLA Piper Canada advised Cannacord Genuity in Curaleaf private placement

10 AUG 2020

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP acted as Canadian legal advisor to Canaccord Genuity Corp., in its capacity as sole bookrunner and agent, in the private placement offering of Curaleaf Holdings, Inc. common shares for gross proceeds of \$34.06 million.

DLA Piper Canada advised Metalla Royalty & Streaming on \$20M increase to debt facility

10 AUG 2020

Metalla Royalty & Streaming Ltd. entered into an amended and restated convertible loan agreement with Beedie Capital to increase its debt facility by \$20M. Metalla also completed a conversion of \$6M in principal amount standing under the Loan Facility and was advanced an additional \$5M under the Loan Facility. DLA Piper Canada acted as legal advisors to Metalla in connection with these transactions.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP advised underwriters in Converge Technology public offering

7 AUG 2020

On August 7, 2020 Converge Technology Solutions Corp. (TSXV: CTS) (FSE: 0ZB) (OTCQX: CTSD) announced the closing of the exercise of the underwriters' over-allotment option in connection with a \$21.1 million "bought deal" public offering. DLA Piper Canada acted as legal advisors to Canaccord Genuity Corp. and Desjardins Capital Markets, who led the syndicate of underwriters for the Offering.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Partner Denis G. Silva to the Vancouver office

13 JUL 2020

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is delighted to announce that Denis G. Silva has joined the firm as a Partner in the Vancouver office. Denis focuses his practice on corporate finance and mergers and acquisitions and has extensive experience advising public and private clients in the mining, technology and financial sectors on a full range of business law matters.

DLA Piper advises VEON Holdings B.V. on its RUB100bn refinancing with Sberbank of Russia

17 June 2020

DLA Piper has advised VEON Holdings B.V., a member of the multinational telecommunications VEON group, on the RUB100 billion (approximately USD1.5 billion) refinancing of its facilities with Sberbank of Russia.

DLA Piper advises on South African Loan Guarantee Scheme to distressed businesses

3 June 2020

DLA Piper has advised The Banking Association South Africa and six of South Africa's biggest banks (Absa, First National Bank, Investec, Mercantile Bank, Nedbank and Standard Bank) on the COVID-19 loan guarantee scheme announced by President Cyril Ramaphosa in April 2020.

DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2020

30 April 2020

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 67 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2020 in the United States and May 1, 2020 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions have been made across many of the firm's practice areas in 35 different offices throughout 13 countries.

Across the firm's practices globally, Corporate saw the largest intake of new partners with 19 promotions, followed by Litigation and Regulatory with 15. Intellectual Property and Technology and Finance and Projects had ten and eight promotions respectively, while there were six in Real Estate. Tax and Employment both had four, and there was one in Restructuring.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP increases rankings in the 2020 *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*

24 APR 2020

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that we have significantly increased the number of lawyers ranked as leading practitioners in the 2020 edition of the Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory.

DLA Piper lawyers named Acritas Stars

10 March 2020

Acritas has named over 200 DLA Piper lawyers as 2020 Acritas Stars. Now in its fourth year, Acritas Stars highlights the stand-out lawyers in private practice as nominated by clients around the world. More than 3,000 senior in-house counsel feed into the nomination process to give a comprehensive view of highly recommended lawyers across the globe.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes three new partners

1 JAN 2020

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes three new additions to the partnership, effective January 1, 2020.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP recommended in the 2020 edition of the *Legal 500 Canada*

14 NOV 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP has been recommended across a broad range of practice areas in the latest edition of the *Legal 500 Canada*.

Russel Drew named a 2019 Lexpert Rising Star

8 NOV 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Russel Drew from the firm's Toronto office has been named a 2019 Lexpert Rising Star.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Partner Alex C. Roberts

10 OCT 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Alex Roberts has joined the firm as Partner in the Toronto office.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Associate Counsel Alan Monk

1 OCT 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Alan Monk has rejoined the firm as Associate Counsel in the Vancouver office. Alan has a broad-based corporate/commercial practice with a focus on mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance and securities law.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new associate Lee K. Axford

16 SEP 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Lee Axford to the firm's Edmonton office as an associate in the Corporate group.

DLA Piper adviseert The Carlyle Group bij investering in HSO Group

6 September 2019

DLA Piper heeft The Carlyle Group geadviseerd bij de investering in HSO Group. Het eigen vermogen voor de investering kwam van Carlyle European Technology Partners III Fund (CETP), een fonds van EUR635 miljoen dat investeert in technologiegerichte bedrijven in Europa en de VS.

DLA Piper advises The Carlyle Group on its investment in HSO Group

6 September 2019

DLA Piper has advised The Carlyle Group on its investment in HSO Group. Equity for the investment is provided by Carlyle European Technology Partners III Fund (CETP), a EUR635 million fund that invests in technology-focused companies in Europe and the US.

DLA Piper Canada lawyers recognized in 2020 edition of *Best Lawyers in Canada*

21 AUG 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to see 70 of our lawyers across 34 practice areas recognized in the 2020 *Best Lawyers in Canada* guide.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes new partner Mark von Marksfeld

15 JUL 2019

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Mark von Marksfeld has joined the firm as a partner in the Vancouver office. Mark practises primarily in the areas of banking and secured lending, commercial real estate, and mergers and acquisitions.

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 advises Shorenstein in purchase and financing of office, retail and parking at MiamiCentral Station

13 MAY 2019

DLA Piper represented Shorenstein in the purchase and financing of the 2MC North Office Element and the 3MC Office, Retail and Parking Elements within MiamiCentral Station, a nine-acre mixed-use railroad station development complex known as Virgin MiamiCentral in downtown Miami.

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*.

DLA Piper advises as KIIFB successfully issues first ever offshore masala bond

3 MAY 2019

DLA Piper has acted on the debut issuance by the Kerala Infrastructure Investment Fund Board (KIIFB) of its INR 21.5 billion (USD 312 million) secured, guaranteed, rupee denominated bonds (masala bonds), which were listed on the International Securities Market of the London Stock Exchange and the Singapore Stock Exchange.

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DLA Piper hosts leading business and diplomacy conference

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper's London office has hosted the Annual Conference of the International Diplomatic and Business Exchange (IBDE).

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.

DLA Piper advises Australia's Transport for NSW on Regional Rail Project

14 FEB 2019

DLA Piper is delighted to announce that today Transport for NSW achieved contract close on the Regional Rail Project, which will see a fleet of new trains deliver safer, more comfortable and more reliable journeys across the state.

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 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.

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 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.
