



## Transportation

DLA Piper's Transportation Law practice has extensive experience advising and representing clients in all aspects of law relating to the transportation industry.

We advise both foreign and domestic clients regarding transportation law, including purchases, sales, leasing or financing of aircraft or transport equipment, border security compliance requirements, and tax, customs and export controls issues as they relate to the aviation and transport sectors.

We have advised extensively on mergers and acquisitions in the transport sector and have a proven track record of successfully obtaining pre-merger clearances under Canada's competition, foreign investment and transportation legislation.

Our experienced transportation law lawyers are supported by the firm's extensive skills in areas of competition law, insolvency, litigation, technology and Internet transactions, and employment and labour law, as well as transportation infrastructure development.

Among our clients are air carriers, leasing companies, financiers, underwriters, international air and ocean freight forwarders and highway carriers, as well as warehouse and logistics services providers. We also advise manufacturers, producers, resource sector stakeholders, and exporters and importers of goods moving globally, whether by air, ocean vessel, rail, truck or inter-modally.

The Transportation Law team provides advice and representation to clients in the following areas:

### Aviation

For more information about our aviation expertise, please visit our [Aviation Law page](#).

### Surface

We provide legal advice in all aspects of the ground transportation industry and act for numerous international and Canadian trucking companies. We advise and represent several national and international vehicle credit and leasing organizations and automotive dealers. With respect to public transportation and infrastructure initiatives, we advise public transportation authorities and have acted for large infrastructure companies and financing companies on several bridge and highway public-private partnerships.

Specifically, we have:

- Acted as counsel to the Canadian Finance and Leasing Association and several of its members;
- Advised the Greater Vancouver Transportation Authority on the Gateway infrastructure program, various commuter services, and real estate requirements;

### RELATED SERVICES

- [Aviation](#)

- Advised a worldwide global logistics ground transportation provider based in Asia; and
- Acted as Canadian counsel to the U.S.-based International Warehouse and Logistics Association.

## Maritime

Our commercial and litigation marine law practice includes the following services:

- Advice to insured and insurers regarding marine insurance policy coverage issues including, ship collisions both at sea and with respect to shore-based facilities;
- All types of maritime commercial contracts, including shipbuilding, charter party, insurance and freight forwarding contracts;
- Maritime bankruptcies and insolvencies;
- Tax advice as it affects the shipping and marine industries; and
- Advising passenger cruise shipping lines with respect to tax and customs compliance in connection to operations in Canadian waters.

## EXPERIENCE

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- Successfully represented the Canadian Industrial Transportation Association and Peace River Coal Inc. in a dispute involving charges imposed by the Canadian National Railway Company.

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### **Air transportation: amendments to the *Canada Transportation Act* tabled before Parliament**

19 MAY 2017

The Minister of Transport has introduced Bill C-49, amending several key provisions of the *Canada Transportation Act*. The Bill is in line with the Government's stated objective of modernizing and updating the transportation regulatory framework in Canada and enhancing consumer protection.

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#### **Canadian government creates no-fly zones for recreational drone users**

22 MAR 2017

Many of Canada's cities have effectively become "no-fly zones" for recreational drone users as a result of a recent extraordinary measure taken by the Minister of Transport.

On March 13, 2017, Canada's Transport Minister Marc Garneau issued an " *Interim Order Respecting the Use of Model Aircraft*." The Order applies to "model aircraft," which includes any unmanned aircraft that is not used for a commercial, academic, or research purpose whose total weight is more than 250 grams (0.55 pounds) but not more than 35 Kg (77.2 pounds). Operators of drones for commercial, academic or research purposes are already regulated in Canada.

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## NEWS

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#### **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.

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### **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*.

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### **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 practice areas, this is DLA Piper Canada's strongest showing to date.

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### **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.

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### **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.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP has strongest showing to date in 2018 *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory***

2 MAY 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that forty-three of the firm's lawyers have been recognized as leading practitioners in the 2018 edition of the *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*. The firm was also featured as a leader in eleven different practice areas.

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### **Andrew McFarlane recognized by Lexology Client Choice Awards 2018**

7 FEB 2018

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Lexology has recognized Andrew McFarlane as a 2018 Client Choice award winner.

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### **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.

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### **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.

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### **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.

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### **34 DLA Piper (Canada) LLP lawyers featured in 2017 *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory***

18 MAY 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP continues to be well represented in the annual *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP Lawyers Achieve International Recognition in *Who's Who Legal 2017***

3 MAY 2017

Six lawyers from DLA Piper (Canada) LLP have been recommended by *Who's Who Legal 2017* as foremost practitioners in their fields worldwide.

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### **Benchmark Canada 2017 recognizes DLA Piper (Canada) LLP**

21 APR 2017

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP has been named a "Recommended Firm" in Alberta, British Columbia and Ontario in the latest edition of *Benchmark Canada*, with 13 of the firm's lawyers across 15 practice areas recognized as among Canada's premier litigators.

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### **DLA Piper (Canada) LLP Recommended in *Chambers Global 2017***

23 MAR 2017

The 2017 rankings highlight the breadth and depth of the firm's expertise in key practice areas including Banking & Finance, Intellectual Property, Projects: PPP & Infrastructure, and Transportation.

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## In Canada

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- *Chambers Global* (Transportation), 2014-2017
- *Chambers Canada* (Transportation: Rail & Road), 2016-2018