



Video Games and Interactive Entertainment Law

DLA Piper's Video Games and Interactive Entertainment Law practice advises clients involved in all aspects of video game development, publishing and distribution.

Our clients benefit from our firm's full-service capabilities including our media, entertainment and communications and technology and intellectual property law experience, as well as from our own passion, knowledge and experience relating to video game development and distribution.

Our group offers advice and assistance in areas that include:

- Drafting and negotiating video game development agreements, publishing agreements, distribution agreements and licence agreements
- Obtaining, protecting and enforcing intellectual property rights
- Corporate finance and securities
- Privacy, confidential information and Internet issues
- Tax incentives and other tax issues
- Regulatory affairs
- Dispute resolution
- Employment issues
- Immigration issues

Emerging Issues

We stay connected to this fast-moving sector so that our clients can make informed decisions for their business.

- Ownership of virtual property in video games.
- Legislation regarding sale of Mature and Adults Only (M & AO)-rated video games.
- Development agreements regarding games for next-gen consoles.

RELATED SERVICES

- Intellectual Property and Technology
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Publications

A comprehensive study of BC's VR/AR ecosystem: successes and challenges for the road ahead

5 MAY 2020

As technological innovations catch up with the human imagination, the video game industry has become increasingly lucrative, earning a record \$120.1 billion in 2019 alone. This industry's success has driven the development and emergence of innovative new hardware that has empowered the Virtual Reality/Augmented Reality industry. With the foundation laid by British Columbia's robust video game and film economy, the province's VR/AR industry has seen exponential growth over the last decade.

NEWS

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Tyson Gratton

13 JAN 2020

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to welcome Tyson Gratton to the firm's Vancouver office as an associate in the Corporate group. Tyson's practice focuses primarily on assisting emerging and growth stage companies manage corporate governance matters, negotiate contracts and licensing agreements, navigate growth financing, and facilitate routine corporate commercial matters.

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP welcomes Morgan McDonald to the Vancouver office

8 JAN 2020

DLA Piper (Canada) LLP is pleased to announce that Morgan T. McDonald has joined the firm as Counsel in the Vancouver office. Morgan's practice is focussed on assisting founders, startup and growth companies in the technology sector, including software, gaming, ecommerce and related technology facing businesses and emerging markets including artificial intelligence, cloud computing and privacy.
