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Ed provides financial services expertise to a variety of clients. He counsels financial institutions, private lenders, and borrowers on corporate and commercial financing matters, with a focus on leveraged buyout acquisitions, asset-based lending, and capital call facilities and in the aircraft, mining, commercial real estate and diversified commercial industries. He regularly acts in various financing transactions, whether secured or unsecured, senior or subordinate, bilateral or syndicated.

Ed also acts for creditors and debtors on DIP or other financings in various insolvency and restructuring proceedings including those under the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* and the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*. Additionally, he has significant experience in China-related financing and insolvency matters that are based in Canada.

In his spare time, Ed is a Royal Commentator on British/Canadian/Commonwealth and world Royal Families and Monarchies. He has provided commentaries to, and has been featured on, BBC World News, SkyNews, CBC News, Agence France-Presse, CTV News, Global Television, and La Presse.

Ed is fluent in Mandarin Chinese and English. He was born in Beijing, China, where he lived for a number of years.

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# Experience

- Acted as lender's counsel in the establishment of capital call facilities to a number of leading private equity firms in the range of \$30 to US\$120 million.
- Acted as lead finance counsel to Pan American Silver Corp. in connection with the upsize of its US\$1.25 billion credit facilities and in connection with its acquisition of Yamana Gold Inc.
- Acted as counsel for the lending syndicate providing for approximately \$250 million and US\$30 million leveraged financing for the acquisition and expansion of a leading cross-border orthodontists platform business.
- Acted as counsel for the lending syndicate providing for \$119 million leveraged financing for the acquisition of a leading national franchisee of quick service restaurants.
- Acted as counsel for the lending syndicate providing for \$40 million and US\$60 million credit facilities for a leading North American provider of engineering, project management, and consulting services.
- Acted as counsel for the lending syndicate providing for approximately \$60 million and US\$35 million credit facilities for a leading Canadian provider of municipal and road outdoor services.
- Acted for the DIP interim lender in connection with proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* involving a group of retail companies with over 250 stores across Canada and for the senior secured lender providing the subsequent exit financing.
- Acted as finance counsel to Imperial Metals Corporation in its sale of a 70% interest in the Red Chris mine in British Columbia to Newcrest Mining Limited for approximately US\$806.5 million.
- Acted as counsel for the lending syndicate providing for \$125 million credit facilities for a leading national provider of group benefits, group retirement and wellness solutions.
- Acted as Canadian counsel to a leading sports apparel, merchandise and gear retailer in connection with its US \$500 million ABL credit facilities.
- Acted as lead finance counsel to Pan American Silver Corp. in connection with the upsize of its US \$500 million credit facilities and in connection with its acquisition of Tahoe Resources Inc.
- Acted as counsel for the lending syndicate in a \$65 million leveraged financing for the acquisition of a leading producer of container-grown forest seedlings.
- Acted as counsel for the lending syndicate in a US \$300 million and a CAD \$50 million cross-border syndicated financing of a leading agricultural produce grower and supplier.
- Acted as counsel for the lending syndicate in a \$125 million syndicated financing of the leveraged acquisition by a leading cold storage and logistics business of another leading cold storage and logistics business.
- Acted as lender's counsel in a \$35 million senior secured financing of the leveraged acquisition of an aviation services company.
- Acted as lender's counsel in a \$52 million senior secured financing of the leveraged acquisition of certain retail assets through proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act.*
- Acted as borrower's counsel in a \$110 million holding company financing of a leading global renewable energy (wind energy and geothermal) company.
- Acted as lender's counsel in a \$48 million financing of an underground excavation and road building contractor.
- Acted as counsel for the lending syndicate in a \$100 million syndicated financing in connection with the leveraged acquisition of a leading supplier of industrial mineral product.
- Acted as lender's counsel in a \$55 million asset-based financing of a leading distributor serving the energy and mining industries.
- Acted as counsel (financial services matters) to an aviation services company in connection with a \$250 million equity investment and asset acquisition by another aviation services company.
- Acted as borrower's counsel in an \$80 million senior debt financing of an aviation services company.



- Acted for a variety of lenders and borrowers in several large lending and corporate finance transactions including multi-jurisdictional lending transactions, syndicated loans transactions, and secured convertible debt securities issuances.
- Acted for creditors, debtors and insolvency professionals in a number of insolvency, restructuring and realization proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* and the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act* including Yukon Zinc Corporation (CCAA); Darford International Inc. (Receivership); Azure Dynamics Corporation (CCAA); Blackburn Developments Ltd. (CCAA); BAK Battery Canada Ltd. (BIA Bankruptcy); Caffe Artigiano (BIA Proposal); Shoes.com (Receivership and BIA Bankruptcy).

# **Beyond our Walls**

#### **Professional Involvement**

- Member, B.C. Solicitors' Legal Opinions Committee
- Past Co-Chair, Young Professionals Committee, Risk Management Association
- Past Chair, BLG's Young Professionals Committee (Vancouver office)
- Member, Law Society of British Columbia
- Member, Canadian Bar Association, Banking, Insolvency and SOGIC Subsections

#### **Community Involvement**

- Director, St. John Ambulance (BC and Yukon)
- Member, Advocacy Committee, The ALS Society of British Columbia
- Member, The Vancouver Club

### Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2024 edition (since 2018) of *The Best Lawyers in Canada*® (Asset-Based Lending Practice; Banking and Finance Law).
- Recognized in the 2024 edition (and since 2021) of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* (Asset Equipment Finance/Leasing) and in 2024 for Banking & Financial Institutions.

# Bar Admission & Education

- British Columbia, 2010
- Ontario, 2022
- LLB, Dalhousie University, 2009
- BA, University of British Columbia, 2006

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