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Education / Bar Admissions

LLB, University of Alberta, 1982

B.Comm., 1977

British Columbia, 1988

Alberta, 1983

Professional Involvement

Member, Dean's Advisory Council, University of Alberta Law School; President, University of Alberta Faculty of Law Alumni Association, Vancouver / BC Branch

Member: Canadian Institute of Energy, Canadian Petroleum Law Foundation, Rocky Mountain Mineral Institute, Vancouver Board of Trade

Founding Director, Leadership Vancouver; Director, Past Director of Canadian Petroleum Law Foundation, Director, Independent Power Producers Association of BC and Private Companies

(Past) Adjunct Professor of Corporate Law, University of British Columbia Faculty of Law

(Past) Chair, Canadian Bar Association (CBA) Business Law Section, BC Branch; (Past) Member, Solicitors' Legal Opinion Committee (CBA and Law Society of BC committee of leading Vancouver

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Robert Shouldice (Bob) is a partner in our Corporate Commercial Group in our Vancouver office. Bob practises corporate and commercial law in the areas of acquisitions, mergers and divestitures, energy and transportation transactions, infrastructure projects, corporate reorganizations and corporate governance matters, and is recognized as one of the best lawyers in Canada in these areas by the foremost legal rankings publications.

Bob has extensive experience with a wide variety of mergers & acquisitions, corporate reorganizations, and joint ventures. He also has experience with energy and transportation industry transactions and infrastructure projects and joint ventures (domestic and international), as well as privatizations and other commercial transactions involving government corporations/agencies. He advises boards of directors and executive officers on a variety of corporate governance issues, personal responsibilities and liability risks, and best practices.

REPRESENTATIVE WORK

- Representing BC Hydro in respect of its multi-billion dollar Site C and John Hart hydro projects
- Represented Petronas with its recently planned multi-billion-dollar LNG project on the west coast of British Columbia.
- Represented TransLink in respect of its \$1.6 billion Surrey LRT Project.
- Representing Parrish & Heimbecker in respect of its international joint venture for the development of a new grain terminal and storage facility on the west coast.
- Represented City of Edmonton in respect of its \$2 billion light rail project.
- Represented Finning in connection with a number of recent merger and acquisition transactions in Canada, the United Kingdom and South America.
- Representing the City of Ottawa in connection with its \$2.1-billion light-rail project.

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- Acting/acted for a number of corporate enterprises and organizations (for profit and non-profit) in respect of governance matters.
- Represented SNC-Lavalin Inc. in respect of its joint venture participation in the approximately \$2.5-billion Mumbai Metro light-rail project.
- Represented consortiums of major Korean companies in respect of a new mining ventures in Canada.
- Represented BC Rail in connection with a public/private transaction involving the sale of a marine terminal business and the long-term lease and concession agreement for the port terminal lands/buildings.
- Represented BC Rail and provincial government in the 2005 \$1-billion sale and partnership transaction with CN relating to the rail freight division of the BCR Group of Companies.
- Represented foreign bidders for multiple marine terminal operations in British Columbia, and for a petrochemical storage and distribution business in Canada.
- Represented City of Ottawa in respect of its 2005 proposed light rapid transit project.
- Represented international developer and financier of infrastructure projects in respect of proposed acquisitions of a number of Canadian PPP (health facility and transportation) projects.
- Represented BCR Group of Companies in a number of disposition and/or public-private partnership type transactions of \$100-million-plus involving marine terminal and/or short-line rail operations.
- Represented BC Hydro in respect of its \$1.5-billion outsourcing and partnership transaction with Accenture and related ongoing matters.
- Represented UMA Engineering in respect of its merger and court-approved cross-border acquisition transaction and corporate arrangement with AECOM.
- Represented the shareholders of Simons International in their sale of the Simons Group of Companies to AMEC/AGRA International – a publicly traded company based in Canada and the UK.
- Represents BC Hydro in respect of a number of energy-related projects, joint ventures, venture capital investments, dispositions and outsourcings of non-core assets and key services, and acquisitions of power generation plants and transmission facilities.
- Represented National Energy Systems in respect of gas-fired power generation projects and an international transmission line.
- Represented a Canadian-based pipeline company in its proposed acquisition of an international oil pipeline.
- Represented Tolko Industries Inc. in its acquisitions of Repap Manitoba and the High Level forestry operations of Daishowa-Marubeni.
- Represented US-based public company US Office Products in its acquisition of Data Business Forms Limited, a private Canadian company.
- Represented Methanex in its acquisition of its joint venture partner's interest in a methanol plant located in Louisiana, including the negotiation of amended commercial facility agreements.
- Represented Methanex from time to time in respect of other planned

acquisitions and joint ventures.

- Represented CRA Mining of Australia in its proposed acquisition and joint venture of diamond mining venture in the Northwest Territories.
- Represented governments of British Columbia and Northwest Territories in privatizations and related public/private transactions.
- Represented BC Rail Group in its sale of Westel Telecommunications, and in its purchase of Canadian Stevedoring and Vancouver Wharves Ltd.
- Canadian counsel to Daimler Aerospace in its acquisition and joint venturing of the aircraft engine repair/maintenance operations of Canadian Airlines.
- Represented Belcorp Industries (*i.e.*, Balaclava) in the completion of its take-over of BC Sugar and its subsequent corporate reorganization and income trust public refinancing.
- Represented the executive management group of Tree Island Industries in a leveraged buy-out of the Tree Island Group of Companies (based in Canada and the US) from its US owner, Georgetown Industries.

PUBLICATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

- Numerous papers and articles on a wide variety of corporate, commercial, governance and public infrastructure topics.
- Speaker at numerous industry and legal profession conferences.
- (Past) Chief Editor, *Carswell Corporations Law Guide*, Thomson Carswell
- (Past) Chair, Editorial Board, *The National* (Canadian Bar Association's magazine)

RANKINGS & RECOGNITIONS

- Recognized in the 2019 edition of the Lexpert®/ROB Special Edition – Canada's Leading Corporate Lawyers.
- Recognized in the 2019 of *Chambers Canada — Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business* (Projects: PPP & Infrastructure).
- Recognized in the 2019 edition of *IFLR1000 – The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms* (M&A - Highly Regarded).
- Recognized in the 2018 edition of the *Lexpert® Guide to US/Canada Cross-border Lawyers in Canada*.
- Recognized in the 2018 edition of *The Lexpert/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada* (Corporate Mid-Market).
- Recognized in the 2019 (and previous) editions of the *Chambers Canada — Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business* (Corporate/Commercial: British Columbia and Projects: PPP and Infrastructure).
- Recognized in the 2019 edition (and since 2006) of *The Best Lawyers in Canada®* (Corporate Law, Energy Law, Energy Regulatory Law, Mergers & Acquisitions Law, and Natural Resources Law).
- Recognized in the 2018 edition (and since 2013) of the *Lexpert®/Report on*

Business Special Edition - Canada's Leading Energy Lawyers.

- Recognized in the 2017 and 2016 editions of the *Legal 500 Canada* (Infrastructure and Projects). Also recognized in the 2017 edition for Energy: Power.
- Recognized as a leading infrastructure lawyer in the 2018 edition (and since 2014) of the *Lexpert® Special Edition on Infrastructure*.
- Recognized in the 2019 (and since 2013) editions of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory* (Corporate Commercial Law, Corporate Mid-Market, Energy – Electricity, Energy – Oil & Gas) and the 2013-2016 editions (Private Equity).
- Recognized as a leading corporate lawyer in the 2016 *Lexpert®/Report on Business Corporate Special Edition*.
- Recognized in the 2016 (and previous) editions of the *Lexpert® Guide to the Leading U.S./Canada Cross-Border Corporate Lawyers in Canada* (Energy: Electricity).
- Recognized in the 2016 edition of *Who's Who Legal: Canada* (Capital Markets).
- Recognized in 2015 as the "Energy Law Lawyer of the Year" in Vancouver by *The Best Lawyers in Canada*.
- Martindale-Hubbell® BV® Distinguished™ 4.4 out of 5 Peer Review Rated.
- Named "Top General Corporate Lawyer in Canada" by the *International Law Office (ILO) Client Choice Awards, 2010*.

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