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# Expertise Project Finance Mergers and Acquisitions Energy

**Bar Admissions** Ontario, 2009

Finance

"Anthony is the reason why I keep going back to Davies. He is hardworking, practical and available. I can't recommend him enough. He is amazing."

Anthony's practice focuses on mergers and acquisitions and financing transactions with an emphasis on energy and infrastructure. He has acted as lead counsel to both acquirers and financiers on several high-profile renewable energy acquisitions and financings. He has also been involved in a variety of infrastructure transactions, having acted for project sponsors on complex public-private partnership projects in Canada and in the United States.

His clients, including Canada's largest institutional lenders and infrastructure funds, value Anthony's practical and business-minded advice and strong dedication to client service. Clients describe him as, "a great lawyer" and "excellent negotiator" with "good commercial sense and ability to structure transactions" (*Chambers Canada*).

Anthony is a member of the firm's Finance and Student Committees.

# REPRESENTATIVE WORK

Client - Chambers Canada

## **Fengate Capital Management**

Acted for Fengate Capital Management in its acquisition of the Morris Cogeneration, LLC, a 177 MW combined heat and power facility in Morris, Illinois, from Atlantic Power and Utilities.

# Royal Bank of Canada

Acted for Royal Bank of Canada in connection with the establishment of senior secured "green loan" credit facilities in favour of a subsidiary of the University of Toronto, the proceeds of which will be used to complete deep energy retrofit projects – such as converting gas boilers to electric boilers and installing energy storage solutions – to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by more than 50 per cent, or 45,000 tonnes of CO2 equivalents, by 2030. Canada Infrastructure Bank provided subordinated credit facilities.

# **Axium Infrastructure**

Acted for Axium Infrastructure in connection with a mezzanine financing of a portfolio of solar projects located in Ontario.

# The Canada Life Assurance Company

Acted for The Canada Life Assurance Company and its affiliates with the C\$185.5-million financing of a portfolio of three hydroelectric generating facilities located in British Columbia and Quebec totalling approximately 107 MW owned by Innergex Renewable Energy Inc. The Gilles Lefrancois Project (24 MW) is located in Levis, Quebec and the Rutherford Creek (50 MW) and Miller Creek (33 MW) Projects are located near Squamish-Lillooet, British Columbia. The projects are fully-contracted with take-or-pay contracts with Hydro-Quebec and BC Hydro, respectively.

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# **Syndicate of Lenders**

Acted for a syndicate of lenders led by Bank of Montreal in connection with the refinancing of certain credit facilities made available to BluEarth Renewables.

# **BMS Group**

Acted for BMS Group in its acquisition of Smith & Reid Insurance Brokers and O'Neil Insurance Brokers.

# The Canada Life Assurance Company

Acted for The Canada Life Assurance Company in the establishment of credit facilities to finance the operations of Intragas Limited Partnership.

# Valley Fiber Ltd.

Acted for Valley Fiber, a portfolio company of DIF Capital, with the establishment of credit facilities by a syndicate of lenders led by National Bank of Canada.

# TotalEnergies EP Canada Ltd.

Acted for TotalEnergies EP Canada Ltd., a subsidiary of TotalEnergies SE, in connection with its acquisition of an additional 6.65% working interest in the Fort Hills oils sands project located approximately 90 km north of Fort McMurray, Alberta.

# **Axium Infrastructure**

Acted for Axium Infrastructure Inc. in connection with the acquisition from Copenhagen Infrastructure Partners of the Travers Solar Project located in Vulcan County, Alberta. Situated on approximately 3,330 acres of land, the project has a total nameplate capacity of 465 MW, making it the largest solar project in Canada at the time of closing.

# **RECOGNITIONS**

Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business—Project Finance

Chambers Canada: Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business-Project Finance

*IFLR1000: The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms*—Mergers and Acquisitions; Project Finance

The Legal 500 Canada—Energy and Natural Resources: Power (Leading Individual)

Lexpert Special Edition: Energy

Lexpert Special Edition: Finance and M&A

Lexpert Special Edition: Infrastructure

The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory—Banking and Financial Institutions; Corporate Commercial Law; Energy: Electricity; Infrastructure Law; Mergers and Acquisitions; Project Finance

The Best Lawyers in Canada—Banking and Finance Law; Energy Law; Project Finance Law

Expert Guides' Rising Stars

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#### **INSIGHTS**

Acquisition Finance 2022: Canada Chapter, co-author, annual

May 26, 2022

IESO Releases Contract Review Directive Report

Sept. 03, 2020

Moderator, IJCanada Power Conference 2020, "Market Conditions: Where do we

go from here?"; Toronto, ON

Jan. 23, 2020

Ontario to Review Existing Generation Contracts

Nov. 08, 2019

Moderator, Canadian Power Finance Conference; Toronto, ON; Jan. 23 to 25,

2019

Jan. 23, 2019

The Day the Wrappers Died...

June 26, 2015

# **EDUCATION**

Osgoode Hall Law School, JD, 2008

University of Toronto, BSc (Hons) (with High Distinction), 2005