

## Erik's background in finance, public policy and politics has prepared him for a career as a strategic adviser.

He looks forward to using his academic training to help him navigate regulatorily complex approval processes, especially in the context of mergers and acquisitions and foreign investment.

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During law school, Erik won multiple prizes, including being recognized as the top student in securities law. He will serve as a judicial law clerk to Justice David W. Stratas of the Federal Court of Appeal during the 2026-2027 term.

**What surprised you most about Davies during the interview process?**

True partnership. Davies' small size (~250 lawyers) stands out among its peers. I was struck that each of the lawyers I met knew each other well and often collaborated on files, even when they were practising in seemingly distinct and separate areas of law.

**Why did you choose to work with Davies?**

Two reasons. First, the firm's commitment to excellence is deep and apparent. Davies offered me the best platform to hone my legal skills and get early exposure to the most exciting and complex mandates. Second, the firm's generalist model. I have broad practice interests. Davies' commitment to allow entrepreneurially minded students to explore these interests and work across a wide range of practices and with specific lawyers, is unique among its peers and highly appealing.

**Is there an organization that means a lot to you? Why? And how are you involved?**

Canadian Council of the Blind. The CCB provides wonderful programming for Canadians with visual impairments. Both my grandfather and my father are blind. For years, my father has played a leadership role with the CCB's Toronto "Visionaries" chapter and I have been fortunate to play a much smaller role in supporting their group's fundraising efforts.

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