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Expertise

Corporate
Financial Restructuring and
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Bar Admissions

Ontario, 1999

Newfoundland and Labrador, 1998

“Natasha has not just been granted the mantle of leadership, she has earned it through hard work, perseverance and intelligence, as well as a relentless commitment to legal excellence.

Natasha is very, very good at what she does.”

Client – *Chambers Canada 2022*

Natasha provides clients with smart solutions for their high-end insolvency and restructuring challenges. She advises on a broad variety of debt restructuring, bankruptcy and insolvency, corporate debtor/creditor rights enforcement, turnarounds, work-outs, and plans of arrangement under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.

Natasha has advised on many significant and groundbreaking restructurings and insolvencies. Noted for her ability to take “real leadership, even beyond the legal affairs,” Natasha also earns praise for big-picture understanding of her clients' needs: “She coordinated multiple complex situations that evolved, and managed a wide variety of sensitive shareholders extremely well” (*Chambers Canada 2022*).

Clients frequently consult Natasha for strategic advice and risk analysis on deal structuring and lending. She regularly acts for a number of North America's best-known private equity firms in their acquisition of distressed entities and participation in distressed sales and investor solicitation processes.

REPRESENTATIVE WORK

The Body Shop Canada Limited

Acting for The Body Shop Canada Limited Inc. with its restructuring under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*. Following court approval, the business was sold to Serruya Private Equity Inc. The restructuring process will see the continuation of 59 stores and preserve over 500 jobs, while closing the remaining locations as part of the transition.

Insolvency Institute of Canada

Acted for the Insolvency Institute of Canada (IIC) as an intervener before the Supreme Court of Canada in *Aquino v. Ernst & Young (Aquino)* and *Scott v. Golden Oaks (Golden Oaks)*, two important commercial cases concerning corporate attribution and set-off in the bankruptcy and insolvency context. These decisions were named #2 of the top 10 business decisions of 2024 by *Law360 Canada*.

FTI Consulting Canada Inc.

Acting for FTI Consulting Canada Inc. in its capacity as the neutral, court-appointed monitor of Imperial Tobacco Canada Limited and its affiliates in proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* and Chapter 15 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code involving a historic C\$32.5-billion plan of

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compromise and arrangement to settle tobacco-related liabilities.

Southwest Critical Minerals LLC

Acted for Southwest Critical Minerals LLC, an affiliate of Kinterra Capital Corp., in its US\$128-million acquisition of substantially all of the assets of Nevada Copper Corp., through a stalking horse bid in the sale process under Chapter 11 of the U.S. Bankruptcy Code which was recognized in Canada under the CCAA.

BlueTree Advisors Inc.

Acting as counsel to the Trustee of the CannTrust Directors and Officers Trust in connection with CannTrust Holdings Inc.'s proceedings under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.

Confidential client

Acting for a confidential qualified phase 2 bidder of substantially all assets of Silicon Valley Bank Canada following its very public collapse in March 2023

Department of Finance Canada

Acting for Department of Finance Canada in examining the insolvency implications of the crypto ecosystem.

CrossingBridge Advisors, LLC

Acting for CrossingBridge Advisors, LLC in Tacora Resources Inc.'s proceedings pursuant to the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act*.

European Central Bank

Advising the European Central Bank, the central bank of the 19 European Union countries which have adopted the euro, on a range of insolvency issues.

Blackstone Real Estate Income Trust, Inc.

Acted for Blackstone Real Estate Income Trust, Inc. in the buyout of its joint venture partner in a portfolio of 12 seniors' housing residences in Québec.

RECOGNITIONS

Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business—Restructuring/Insolvency

Chambers Canada: Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business—Restructuring/Insolvency

Turnaround Management Association—Women of Excellence Award, Today's Leader (2019)

IFLR1000: Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms—Restructuring and Insolvency (Highly Regarded)

IFLR1000: Women Leaders—Restructuring and Insolvency

The Legal 500 Canada—Restructuring and Insolvency (Leading Partner)

Lexpert Special Edition: Restructuring and Insolvency

Lexpert's Leading 500 Cross-Border Lawyers: A Guide to Doing Business in Canada—Insolvency and Financial Restructuring

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Lexpert Rising Stars: Leading Lawyers Under 40

The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory—Insolvency and Financial Restructuring: Financial Restructuring (Most Frequently Recommended); Corporate Commercial Law

The Best Lawyers in Canada—Insolvency and Financial Restructuring Law

Lawdragon 500 Leading Global Restructuring & Insolvency Lawyers

Who's Who Legal: Thought Leaders; Who's Who Legal: Restructuring and Insolvency; Who's Who Legal: Canada—Restructuring and Insolvency

Expert Guides' *Women in Business Law*; Expert Guides—Restructuring and Insolvency

INSIGHTS

In Case You Missed It: Decisions on Our Radar, co-author

Mar. 14, 2025

International Insolvency Institute, UCC Regional Conference, “Decoding Cryptocurrency Valuation Issues in Insolvency Proceedings and the Use of AI in Expert Testimony”; Chicago, IL

Jan. 15, 2025

2019 – 2024 Data Trends

Nov. 19, 2024

CBA National Insolvency Law Conference, “Supreme Court of Canada – Overview of Three Insolvency Cases from the SCC”; Banff, AB

Oct. 18, 2024

Interview, *Lexpert Special Edition: Insolvency and Restructuring*, “Restructuring experts highlight Canada’s looming insolvency crisis”; Web Publication

Oct. 15, 2024

Insolvency Institute of Canada, “Departing from Precedent: Diversity & Inclusion in the Restructuring Profession”; Webcast

June 11, 2024

Panelist, IWIRC Western Canada and IWIRC Ontario, “Cross Canada Caselaw Update”; In person and online

May 22, 2024

Insolvency Insider, Lenders Conference, “Liability Management Transactions: An Overview”; Toronto, ON

Apr. 25, 2024

Finance Canada, “Crypto Assets”; Toronto, ON

Mar. 25, 2024

2023 Business Insolvencies in Canada

Mar. 05, 2024

EDUCATION

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Dalhousie University, LLB, 1997

Memorial University of Newfoundland, BA (Political Science & Commerce), 1994

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Bankruptcy Institute

Insolvency Institute of Canada

International Association of Restructuring, Insolvency & Bankruptcy Professionals (INSOL International)

International Insolvency Association

International Women's Insolvency & Restructuring Confederation

Ontario Bar Association

Turnaround Management Association

BOARD MEMBERSHIPS

ARIL Society Inc.

The Havergal College Foundation

North Toronto Soccer Club

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Annual Review of Insolvency Law (ARIL) Society, 12th Conference, Organizing Committee; Governance and Nominating Committee, chair

Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy, Oral Board of Examination, panel member

Practical Law Canada, Insolvency & Restructuring Advisory Board

World Bank Group, Insolvency and Creditor/Debtor Regimes Task Force

TEACHING ENGAGEMENTS

Natasha is a guest lecturer at Osgoode Hall Law School, the University of Toronto Faculty of Law, Schulich School of Law at Dalhousie University and Western University. She is an instructor for the Advanced Business Law Workshop at Osgoode Hall Law School.