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Expertise

Corporate
Fund Formation
Venture Capital and Growth
Companies
Private Equity

Bar Admissions

Ontario, 2016

“Sarah has delivered excellent work to us for many years. We rely on Sarah for support across a wide variety of challenges and she always delivers. I would highly recommend Sarah.”

Client – *Chambers Canada*

Sarah regularly acts for sponsors of and investors in private equity, venture capital, debt and other closed-end funds. She advises clients on a variety of transactions, including private equity and venture capital fund formation, startup financing, mergers and acquisitions, and compensation and governance arrangements. She works with clients in a number of industries, including the private equity, venture capital and technology sectors. As one client says, “her commercial awareness and vision is very strong. Sarah is an all-round excellent lawyer and a pleasure to work with” (*Chambers Canada*).

Sarah is a former adjunct professor at the University of Toronto Faculty of Law where she taught Financing Technological Innovation as part of the Global Professional Master of Laws program in Innovation, Law and Technology.

REPRESENTATIVE WORK

BrandProject

Acted for BrandProject in connection with the formation of BrandProject Capital Fund II LP, an early-stage venture capital fund focused on making investments in next generation consumer product, service, and technology companies across North America.

ArcTern Partners Inc.

Acted for ArcTern Ventures in the formation of its third flagship fund, ArcTern Ventures Fund III, a US\$335 million venture capital fund focused on climate technology companies around the world.

Vistara Capital

Acting for Vistara Capital in the formation of its fifth fund, Vistara Technology Growth Fund V, a US\$400-million technology focused private credit fund.

Beringer Capital

Acted for Beringer Capital in its acquisition (and related bank financing) of a majority stake in Dig Insights, a Canadian tech-enabled services company that delivers consumer insights and market research consulting, tools and solutions to leading brands across a range of sectors.

Golden Ventures

Acted for Golden Ventures in the formation of Golden Ventures Opportunities Fund II, LP, its second opportunities fund.

Centrecourt Developments Inc.

Acted for Centrecourt Developments Inc. in the planning and formation of

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CentreCourt Platform II, a C\$406-million fund to facilitate the company's expansion.

Meta Investments

Acted for co-lead investor Meta Investments in the US\$90-million Series B investment in Sygnum, a digital asset technology group with a Swiss banking license and a Singapore asset management licence.

Vistara Capital Partners

Acted for Vistara Capital Partners in connection with the formation of Vistara Technology Growth Fund IV, Vistara Capital Partners' fourth fund, which will make structured debt and equity investments in technology companies across Canada and the United States.

Fulcrum Capital Partners Inc.

Acted for Fulcrum Capital Partners in connection with the formation of Fulcrum Capital Partners VI, Fulcrum's sixth fund, which will make private equity investments in lower mid-market companies located in Canada.

BrandProject Capital Fund LP

Acted for BrandProject Capital Fund LP in connection with its Series B investment in Clutch Canada Inc., a Canadian online car-selling platform.

RECOGNITIONS

Chambers Canada: Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business—Investment Funds: Fund Formation

IFLR1000: The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms—Investment Funds (Rising Star)

INSIGHTS

Host, *Four-Part Interview Series with Matthew Golden and Matthew Leibowitz*, "Toronto Venture Capital"; Web
Jan. 23, 2023

It Ain't Easy Being Green: Raising Funds in the Age of Decarbonization and Electrification
June 23, 2022

Supporting Canadian Startups: BDC Launches \$150-Million Bridge Financing Program
Apr. 23, 2020

EDUCATION

University of Toronto, JD/MBA (with Distinction), 2015
McGill University, BA, 2011

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Canadian Venture Capital & Private Equity Association, Young Professionals

DAVIES

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TEACHING ENGAGEMENTS

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