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Mergers and Acquisitions

Our experienced team advises on a wide range of M&A transactions with a 'client first' approach.



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Mergers and acquisitions transactions, whether large or small, have inherent complexities that need to be clearly understood and properly addressed. Experienced legal counsel is essential on all M&A transactions and for all clients. With decades of experience advising successfully on M&A transactions, Osler can be trusted to provide clients with the right level of legal advice required to lead a successful deal, for several reasons:

- **Osler's M&A group is consistently ranked Band 1 in *Chambers Canada***, one of the world's leading legal industry ranking publications. As well, for a number of years Osler has been the highest ranked Canadian law firm in M&A league tables published by Bloomberg and LSEG (formerly Refinitiv). Our firm advises on domestic, cross-border, and multi-jurisdictional transactions involving public companies, private companies, private equity sponsors, emerging companies and start-ups, global conglomerates, pension funds, sovereign funds, and financial advisors.
- **Involvement in high volume and range of transactions** – Our team effectively advises on all types and sizes of transactions and have deep experience from decades of deal flow, be it for domestic, cross-border or multi-national companies. Our lawyers have designed and implemented innovative legal structures that have revolutionized the M&A landscape and continue to provide valuable solutions for our clients.
- **Breadth and depth of related expertise** – Our leading M&A practitioners are complemented by top-ranked expertise in tax, competition/antitrust, securities/regulatory, banking and financial services, litigation, pensions, employment/executive compensation and all other specialized areas that are critical to a successful M&A transaction. Taxation, for instance, is integral to accomplishing strategic M&A initiatives and no other Canadian law firm has been so consistently recognized for the excellence of its tax practice.
- **Client focus** – Osler lawyers understand the business imperative behind a transaction and the business environments in which our clients operate. Our "client first" approach

pervades every aspect of our firm culture and we bring that approach to the way we structure a deal, negotiate a deal, mitigate risk, and staff and efficiently manage files.

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Awards and Recognition

- **Chambers Canada: Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business:** Recognized in Corporate/M&A (Band 1); Corporate/Commercial: The Elite: Ontario (Band 1), Alberta (Band 1), British Columbia and Québec
 - "Their reputation as an M&A shop is virtually unrivalled. They have great bench strength and field multiple teams without anything slipping through the cracks. As a client, we are very well treated."
 - "They are not only knowledgeable and smart but are also prepared to work hard, are businesslike in their focus on legal issues and meet their commitments to clients."
 - "They have a deep bench, which is invaluable. They are incredibly responsive and helpful in everything that they do."
- **Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business:** Recognized in Corporate/M&A (Band 1)
 - "Both Canadian and international clients rely on Osler for its breadth and depth of expertise in corporate/M&A law."
 - "Osler has played a key advisory role in many of the largest M&A transactions in Canada over the past several years."
- **The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory:** Recognized in Mergers & Acquisitions (Calgary, Alberta; Montreal, Quebec; Ottawa, Ontario; Toronto, Ontario)
- **IFLR 1000:** The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms: Recognized in M&A (Tier 1)

- **IFLR Americas Awards:** National Corporate Firm of the Year – Canada, 2023, 2020 and 2017
- **Legal 500:** Recognized in Corporate and M&A (Tier 1)
- **Mergermarket:** #1 Canadian law firm in the M&A league tables for Canada by value FY 2023
- **LSEG:** #2 law firm overall in the M&A league tables for completed deals for Canada by value and the only Canadian law firm ranked in the Global M&A league tables for completed deals by value FY 2023
- **Mergermarket, LSEG and Bloomberg:** #2 law firm overall in the M&A league tables for Canada by deal count FY 2023