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Law Practice

Richard Clark is a senior partner in the firm's Corporate Department in Toronto. He is the chair of the Toronto Mergers & Acquisitions (M&A)/Private Equity Practice Group and chair of the firm's National Technology Committee.

Richard has practised business law for more than 30 years, primarily in the areas of M&A, joint ventures, outsourcing and other complex business arrangements. He has a broadly-based clientele, representing virtually every industry sector with a large number of international clients.

Richard has been recognized by the Lexpert/American Lawyer 2012 *Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada* as a leading lawyer in Corporate Mid-Market, *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory 2011* as a leading practitioner in the Corporate Mid-Market, Corporate Commercial Law and Private Equity sectors, IFLR1000's *The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms 2010* as a leading lawyer in M&A, and in the 2011 Legal Media Group *Guide to the World's Leading Private Equity Lawyers*.

Professional Activities

Richard is a member of the Ontario Bar, as well as a member of several professional organizations including the American Bar Association (ABA) and the International Bar Association. He is the immediate past chair of the ABA International Business Law Committee and is the current chair of its Multinational M&A Subcommittee as well as an active member of the ABA's Private Equity and Venture Capital Committee. Richard is a member of the board of directors of a number of Canadian companies.

Publications & Conferences

Richard has authored a number of publications, including most recently "M&A Trends and Opportunities in a Downmarket", for the Canadian Institute's National Summit on Private Equity (September, 2010). He also co-authored the firm's authoritative *M&A Activity in Canada* publication and the *M&A in Canada* chapter of *Getting the Deal Through - Mergers & Acquisitions 2011*. He has participated as a chair, speaker and panellist at numerous professional and industry seminars. Richard co-chaired Insight Information's 11th Annual Negotiating and Drafting Major Business Agreements and is the author of a number of papers, "Defensive Techniques and Deal Protection: A Canadian Perspective" (August, 2008), and articles dealing with corporate and commercial matters including recent papers on private equity ("U.S. Private Equity and VC Investments in Canada", May 2006), "Private Equity and Venture Capital Investments: Selected Issues", Insight's 12th Annual Negotiating and Drafting Major Business Agreements, acquisition agreements ("Drafting and

Understanding Acquisition Agreements": Atlas Information (Mar. 2004)) and commercial real estate ("Investing in Canadian Commercial Real Estate": 10th Annual IBA International Wealth Transfer Conference (Mar. 2005)).

Education

University of Toronto (BA B.Sc. chemical engineering, B.Comm., MBA, J.D.)

Bar Admission

Ontario, 1976