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Bar Admission

Alberta 1993

British Columbia 1994

Practices

Mergers & Acquisitions

Projects

Outsourcing

Procurement

Industries

Liquefied Natural Gas

Energy & Infrastructure

Power

Clean Technology

Retail & Consumer Markets

Retail

Food, Beverage & Agribusiness

Healthcare

Technology

Oil & Gas

US and International Markets

China

A recognized leader in business law over a broad range of industries, Debra provides innovative solutions that clients can count on.

Debra Finlay* is a senior partner in the Business Law Group in Vancouver. Domestic, international, public and private sector clients benefit from Debra's experience enabling her to manage all aspects of their complex commercial transactions while achieving their objectives. Her practice is primarily focused on the areas of private company mergers and acquisitions and corporate commercial law.

Clients trust her strategic advice, innovative solutions, and ability to manage both challenges and opportunities as she pursues their targeted outcome. She employs a holistic approach that ensures a seamless experience for clients. Known for her keen insight and deep understanding of the industries she serves, clients appreciate Debra's knowledge and guidance in matters regarding data security and privacy. Some of her notable work includes:

- successfully negotiating and settling complex commercial transactions in the energy, chemical, manufacturing, agrifood/agribusiness, health and technology industries;
- acting as lead counsel on complex outsourcing transactions including business process and technology outsourcings and related competitive procurement processes, for both public and private sector clients;
- project development work with domestic and international clients in the energy, marine terminalling, transmission and forestry sectors; and
- providing strategic advice and drafting and settling complex commercial agreements.

Debra is an active member of the community and currently sits on the Vancouver Symphony Orchestra's board where she chairs the governance and nominating committee. She also sits on the board of The Bloom Group, an organization that focuses predominantly on responding to the urgent needs of Vancouver's Downtown Eastside. Within McCarthy Tétrault, Debra led the development of a thought leadership program for clients and friends of the firm held at the Morris J. Wosk Centre for Dialogue. Some of the program's topics included Vancouver's crime and policing, arts and culture within the city, and the future of the Port of Vancouver.

Debra attended the University of Calgary obtaining her BA in 1988 and her LLB in 1992. She was called to the Alberta Bar in 1993 and the

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