

# Deandra L. Schubert

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#### **Bar Admission**

Ontario 2010

#### Law School

University of Western Ontario

#### Practices

Mergers & Acquisitions Capital Markets Public Companies

#### Strategic Issues

Critical Situations & Shareholder Activism Deandra Schubert is a partner in our Business Law Group in Toronto.

Deandra's practice focuses on public and private mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance (equity and debt), corporate governance and shareholder activism and general corporate matters.

### RECENT EXPERIENCE

- Jamieson Wellness in connection with its C\$300 million initial public offering and the C\$273 million secondary bought deal offering of its common shares by CCMP Capital Advisors, LP
- Fairfax Africa in connection with its initial public offering, its investment in AFGRI Proprietary Limited, certain other of its African investments and its US\$150 million term loan and approximately US\$155 million letter of credit,
- Stelco Holdings Inc. in its \$230 million initial public offering,
- Fairfax India in connection with its US\$400 million secured term loan,
- Fairmont Raffles Hotels International in connection with its sale to AccorHotels,
- GE Capital Canada in connection with its \$5.15 billion debt tender offer, the largest of its kind in Canadian history,
- Bouygues Energies & Services in connection with its acquisition of Plan Group,
- Direct Energy on the sale of its Ontario home services business,
- Torstar Corporation in connection with its sale of Harlequin Enterprises to a subsidiary of News Corp.,
- Partners REIT in connection with its defence of Orange Capital's proxy contest.
- Mattel on its acquisition of Mega Brands,
- Fairfax Financial Holdings in connection with its lead investment in a US\$1.25 billion convertible debt financing of BlackBerry, and

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 Rio Tinto on certain transactions involving Turquoise Hill Resources (formerly Ivanhoe Mines) including in connection with a US\$2.4 billion rights offering by Turquoise Hill.

In 2017, Deandra received the Lexpert Rising Stars Award, which recognizes leading lawyers in Canada under the age of 40. Deandra is also listed as a "Leading Lawyer to Watch" in the area of Mergers & Acquisitions in the current edition of the Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory.

Deandra completed a nine-month secondment to Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited where she was involved in a number of mergers and acquisitions and corporate finance transactions, including the initial public offering of Fairfax India Holdings Corporation.

Deandra is an active contributor to the firm's M&A blog, Canadian Mergers and Acquisitions Perspectives. She was also the first Chair of the Young Professionals Committee, a standing committee of the Toronto Region Board of Trade, which exists to support the activities of the TRBOT Young Professionals Network, and is currently a member of the volunteer organizing committee for the Great Jewellery Heist charity event in support of Bridgepoint Active Healthcare.

Deandra received her B.Comm. from the University of Toronto, her JD (with Distinction) from the University of Western Ontario and her MBA from the Ivey School of Business, graduating from the combined JD/MBA program in 2009. She earned a place on the Dean's Honour List in each year of the combined program and received a number of awards for academic excellence. She was awarded the Gold Medal for the highest standing in the JD/MBA program.

Deandra was called to the Ontario bar in 2010. She is a member of the Law Society of Ontario, the Canadian Bar Association and the Ontario Bar Association.

**Awards & Rankings** 

Lexpert Rising Stars: Leading Lawyers Under 40 - 2017

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Rising Star

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Leading Lawyer to Watch: Mergers & Acquisitions

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Notable Practitioner: Corporate and M&A, capital markets: debt, capital markets: equity

## **Recent Experience**

- Searchlight Pharma acquires Miravo Healthcare for C\$91.4M March 14, 2023
- Jamieson Wellness Inc. announces partnership with DCP Capital February 23, 2023
- Jamieson Wellness acquires Nutrawise Health & Beauty Corporation for C\$265M

July 19, 2022

 J.D. Irving, Limited sells Brunswick News to Postmedia Network Canada Corp.

March 25, 2022

## **Recent Insights**

- Privilege issues to consider when negotiating M&A transactions
   October 23, 2023
- Is recent SEC disclosure-controls settlement a blueprint for ESG enforcement?

May 24, 2023

■ On Target: 2022 Private Equity Outlook

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## **Events**

■ Private Equity Outlook Webinar

February 3, 2022