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Bar Admission

British Columbia 2003
South Africa 1997

Law School

University of Witwatersrand

Practices

Mergers & Acquisitions
Capital Markets
Projects
Secured Lending & Project Finance

Industries

Global Metals & Mining
Pension Funds Group

US and International Markets

China
Latin America
US Markets

Creative solutions, industry knowledge and a business-focused approach.

Roger is a sought after international mining transactional lawyer and is the Co-leader of the Global Metals & Mining Group. Roger's clients benefit from his broad range of experience and deep industry knowledge to manage their complex mining transactions internationally.

Clients trust Roger's strong negotiating skills and holistic approach to successfully guide them through public and private mining M&A transactions, including takeovers, business combinations, spin-outs and strategic investments. Known for his specialist knowledge of joint ventures and metal streaming, Roger regularly acts for mining companies and financiers in relation to sizeable mining projects globally.

He is more than a lawyer in that he helps address and solve the business issues. He offers real counsel to his clients. Roger sees the big picture, but is also focused on the details.

— CLIENT - CHAMBERS CANADA

Some of Roger's recent notable work includes:

- Rio Tinto on its Heads of Agreement with Turquoise Hill Resources for an updated US\$2.3 billion funding plan (including project finance and equity) for the completion of the Oyu Tolgoi Underground Project in Mongolia
- Glencore on its merger of Agua Rica project and Alumbrera mine plant and infrastructure in Argentina with Yamana Gold and Newmont
- Wheaton Precious Metals on its US\$150 million precious metals purchase agreement with Capstone Mining in respect to the Cozamin Mine in Zacatecas, Mexico
- Wheaton Precious Metals on its US\$110 million definitive precious metals purchase agreement with Caldas Gold in respect to the Marmato Project in Colombia
- China Molybdenum on its US\$550 million gold and silver streaming transaction with Triple Flag Precious Metals for the Northparkes copper mine in Australia
- SSR Mining in its definitive agreement with Alacer Gold for a C\$2.41 billion at-market merger of equals to form a combined company worth C\$5.6 billion
- Stelco on its US\$100 million option to acquire 25% interest in Minntac,

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the largest iron ore mine in the United States, and entry into long term extension pellet supply agreement with U.S Steel

- Silvercorp Metals on its CAD\$120 million share exchange acquisition of TSX-listed Guyana Goldfields
- Glencore on its backstop of C\$7.6 billion rights offering by Katanga Mining
- Jiangxi Copper on its \$1.1 billion investment in First Quantum Minerals
- Calibre Mining in its US\$100 million acquisition of mining assets in Nicaragua from B2Gold and strategic partnership with B2Gold and its C\$105 million concurrent financing
- Mubadala on its US\$130 million strategic investment in Equinox Gold
- Glencore on its backstop of the US\$265 million rights offering by PolyMet Mining
- Newcrest Mining in its US\$804 million acquisition of a 70% joint venture interest in Red Chris copper and gold mine in British Columbia from Imperial Metals
- Vale in its US\$690 million cobalt streaming transaction with Wheaton Precious Metals and Cobalt 27
- Nexa Resources (formerly Milpo) on its US\$250 million silver stream with Triple Flag Mining on Milpo's Cerro Lindo mine in Peru
- Glencore on establishment of a 50/50 BaseCore royalty and streaming joint venture with Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan and the transfer to BaseCore of Glencore's \$300 million base metals royalty portfolio
- Glencore on the sale of its US\$900 million silver stream in the Antamina Mine to Silver Wheaton and its US\$500 million gold and silver stream to Franco Nevada on the Antapaccay mine in Peru
- Newcrest Mining in its US\$250 million strategic investment in TSX-listed Lundin Gold to fund the Fruta del Norte gold project in Ecuador and US\$20 million earn-in with Lundin Gold to fund exploration on the project
- Great Panther Mining on its US\$105 million acquisition of ASX-listed Beadell Resources
- Royal Gold on its US\$265 million silver streaming transaction with Cupric Canyon Capital for the Khoemacau copper project in Botswana
- Newmont (formerly Goldcorp) in the sale of its Los Filos Mine in Mexico to Leagold Mining for US\$438 million in cash and shares
- Anglo American on its US\$57.3 million earn-in with Lumina Gold's

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Pegasus gold copper project in Ecuador

- Glencore on the US\$417.86 million spin out of its 80% interest in the Rosh Pinah mine in Namibia and 90% interest in the Perkoa mine in Burkina Faso to Trevali
- Newmont (formerly Goldcorp) on its acquisition of a 50% interest in the Cerro Casale project from Kinross and Barrick and the formation of a 50/50 regional joint venture with Barrick over the Cerro Casale, Quebrada Seca and Caspiche projects in Chile's Maricunga district
- Newmont (formerly Goldcorp) on the formation of the \$3.5 billion Corridor joint venture with Teck in relation to their respective El Morro and Relincho projects in Chile, including the concurrent acquisition by Newmont (formerly Goldcorp) of New Gold's 30% interest in the El Morro project for US\$90 million and a 4% gold stream on future gold production

Awards & Rankings

Chambers Global

Band 1: Mining (International & Cross-Border) - Canada

Chambers Canada

Band 1: Energy & Natural Resources: Mining - Nationwide Canada

The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory

Leading Lawyer: Corporate Finance & Securities; Corporate Mid-Market; Mining; and Mergers & Acquisitions

Lexpert Special Edition: Finance and M&A

Leading Lawyer

Lexpert Special Edition: Mining

Leading Lawyer

The Lexpert/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada

Leading Lawyer: Mining

The Legal 500 – Canada

Leading Lawyer: Energy and natural resources - mining

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One of the world's leading mining lawyers

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Who's Who Legal - 2019

Thought Leaders – Global Elite

Who's Who Legal - 2017

One of the world's Thought Leaders in Mining

The Best Lawyers in Canada

Leading Lawyer in the areas of Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Mining Law and Natural Resources Law

Best Lawyers in Canada - 2020

"Lawyer of the Year" In the area of Natural Resources Law (Vancouver)

IFLR 1000 Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms

Highly Regarded: Project development, banking, project finance, M&A

Acritas Stars

"Stand-out lawyer"

Client Choice Awards - Mergers & Acquisitions

Lexology Client Choice Awards

Client Choice Awards - Energy & Natural Resource Law, British Columbia - 2018

Lexology Client Choice Award

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Recent Experience

- **Northcliff Resources Ltd. completes convertible loan agreement with Todd Sisson (NZ) Limited**
October 29, 2020
- **SSR Mining and Alacer Gold announce plans for at-market merger valued at C\$5.6B**
September 15, 2020
- **Calibre Mining Corp. completes acquisition of remaining 70% interest in the Eastern Borosi Gold-Silver Property from IAMGOLD**
August 20, 2020
- **Trident Royalties acquires royalty over Zambian copper mine from Moxico Resources**
June 29, 2020

Recent Insights

- **Form Over Substance: Structuring a Mining Joint Venture**
February 22, 2019