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### Bar Admission

British Columbia 2003

South Africa 1997

### Law School

University of Witwatersrand

### Practices

Mergers & Acquisitions

Capital Markets

Secured Lending & Project Finance

### Industries

Projects

Global Metals & Mining

Pension Funds Group

### US and International Markets

China

Latin America

United States

## 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:

- Glencore plc on the acquisition of a controlling interest in the steelmaking coal business of Teck Resources Ltd. for US\$6.93 billion
- Vale in its Vale Base Metals strategic partnership with Manara Minerals, a joint venture between Ma'aden and Saudi Arabia's Public Investment Fund, including the sale of a 13% interest in Vale Base Metals Limited for US\$3.4 billion to Manara and Engine No. 1
- Glencore AG on its acquisition of PolyMet Mining for approximately US\$73 million
- Gold Fields Limited on approximately C\$700 million its acquisition of a 50% interest in a partnership with Osisko Mining Inc. to develop the Windfall project in Québec

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- 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 Canada Corporation on its acquisition of Noranda Income Fund for C\$53 million
- Wheaton Precious Metals on its US\$110 million definitive precious metals purchase agreement with Caldas Gold in respect to the Marmato Project in Colombia
- Wheaton Precious Metals on its US\$150 million precious metals purchase agreement with Capstone Mining in respect to the Cozamin Mine in Zacatecas, Mexico
- Glencore on its merger and joint venture of Agua Rica project and Alumbrera mine plant and infrastructure in Argentina with Yamana Gold and Newmont
- 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, 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
- Jiangxi Copper on its \$1.1 billion investment in First Quantum Minerals
- Mubadala on its US\$130 million strategic investment in Equinox Gold
- Glencore on its backstop of C\$7.6 billion rights offering by Katanga Mining
- 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

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- 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
- Glencore on its backstop of the US\$265 million rights offering by PolyMet Mining
- Royal Gold on its US\$265 million silver streaming transaction with Cupric Canyon Capital for the Khoemacau copper project in Botswana
- Great Panther Mining on its US\$105 million acquisition of ASX-listed Beadell Resources
- Anglo American on its US\$57.3 million earn-in with Lumina Gold's Pegasus gold copper project in Ecuador
- Vale in its US\$690 million cobalt streaming transaction with Wheaton Precious Metals and Cobalt 27
- 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
- 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 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) in the sale of its Los Filos Mine in Mexico to Leagold Mining for US\$438 million in cash and shares
- 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 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

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Franco Nevada on the Antapaccay mine in Peru

- 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

### The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory

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

### 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

### Who's Who Legal

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## **Who's Who Legal Canada**

A leading lawyer in the area of mining

## **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: Mergers and Acquisitions Law, Mining Law and Natural Resources Law

## **Best Lawyers in Canada - 2020, 2022, 2024**

Lawyer of the Year: Natural Resources Law

## **Best Lawyers in Canada - 2023**

Lawyer of the Year: Mining Law

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

Highly Regarded: Project Development, Banking, Project Finance, M&A, Mining

## **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

- **Wheaton Precious Metals announces acquisition of metal streams from Orion Mine Finance for US\$530M**  
February 27, 2024
- **Taseko's partnership with Mitsui & Co. (U.S.A.), Inc. to develop Taseko's Florence Copper project in Arizona**  
November 6, 2023
- **Newmont Corp. acquires Newcrest Mining Limited for US\$19.1B**  
November 6, 2023
- **Glencore International acquired 0805346 BC Ltd. from Pan American Silver Corp. for US\$475M**  
September 20, 2023