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Bar Admission

Australia 2000
England and Wales 2004
Texas, USA 2014
Ontario 2020

Practices

Projects
Secured Lending & Project Finance
Construction
Procurement

Industries

Global Metals & Mining
Energy & Infrastructure
Clean Technology
Infrastructure
Oil & Gas
Power

US and International Markets

Latin America

Scott's experience as a former architect enables him to anticipate potential risks for the clients he works with on all aspects of their projects.

Scott is a partner in the Business Law Group in Toronto and leads the National Construction Group. He is an experienced construction lawyer qualified in Ontario, Texas, England and Wales, and Australia. His extensive global experience includes advising on some of the largest and most complex infrastructure and construction projects in the world. He is a Fellow of the Construction Lawyers Society of America, and has been recognized in the *International Who's Who of Construction Lawyers* and by *Legal 500: Latin America* for his knowledge in projects and energy.

Prior to pursuing a legal career, Scott practised as an architect in Australia and Canada. He brings this practical construction industry experience to his legal practice. For instance, with an understanding of the terminology used by engineers and contractors, Scott takes a straightforward approach when writing contracts to make them comprehensible for the clients he works with.

He has in-depth experience on a wide array of projects globally in several industry sectors, including oil and gas, petrochemicals, LNG, road and rail infrastructure, power (nuclear, gas, coal, renewables), mining and metals, shipbuilding and architecture.

Scott helps clients take their projects from conception to reality. Specializing in transactional construction work – largely for owners, sponsors and lenders – Scott advises on projects from pre-contract negotiation through contract administration, dispute avoidance and post-contract dispute resolution. In the past few years, he has advised on projects with an aggregate value approaching US\$200 billion. He has drafted and advised on all types of purpose-drafted and standard-form construction contracts, including EPC, EPCM, convertible lump sum, design/build and construct-only contracts, and a wide variety of consultancy, supply, O&M and related procurement documents under numerous project delivery models, including P3.

He co-authored the book *FIDIC Contracts: Law and Practice* (Informa, 2009), on the leading suite of international construction contracts.

Scott received his Bachelor of Environmental Studies from the University of Manitoba, Bachelor of Architecture (Honours 1) from the University of Newcastle in Australia and Bachelor of Legal Studies from Macquarie University in Australia.

Awards & Rankings

International Who's Who of Construction Lawyers

Leading Lawyer: Construction

Legal 500: Latin America

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Recent Experience

- **Kinetikor and other project development sponsors secure C\$1.5B in financing for Cascade Power Project**
August 27, 2020
- **A consortium agrees to acquire up to a 100 per cent interest in Alberta PowerLine for up to C\$1.7B**
December 18, 2019
- **The Manufacturers Life Insurance Company and Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada close secured credit facility to First Nation LP**
October 25, 2019
- **Northland Power Inc. closes bought deal equity offering for C\$862.5M**
April 05, 2019

Recent Insights

- **Upcoming Changes to Bill 37: The Builder's Lien (Prompt Payment) Amendment Act**
June 10, 2021
- **Reopening Canada: A Guide for the Construction Industry in British Columbia, Alberta, Ontario and Quebec**
June 17, 2020

Events

- **Integrated Project Delivery (CCDC 30), Prompt Payment and Adjudication**
June 19, 2019