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Practice Areas

Banking & Financial Services
Corporate
International/Cross Border
Mergers & Acquisitions
Private Equity

Ryan Filson is Co-Chair of the Corporate Practice Group at WeirFoulds LLP. He has a diverse business law practice. He acts as external general counsel, as well as a transaction specialist, for a wide variety of clients including start-ups, entrepreneurial companies, established Canadian companies and Canadian subsidiaries of US-based or multinational corporations.

In his M&A practice, Ryan represents buyers and sellers in acquisitions and divestitures in the Canadian market, as well as advising on Canadian issues present in international transactions. In his financing practice, he acts for investors or investee corporations and principals in private equity and venture capital transactions and also represents lenders and borrowers in connection with a range of domestic and cross-border commercial lending transactions including credit agreements, asset-based loans, second lien facilities and convertible debentures and notes. In addition, Ryan provides legal advice on a wide variety of other commercial transactions such as service, supply, distribution and procurement agreements and tenders, as well as on management and governance issues.

Ryan regularly advises clients in a wide range of industries including the industrial products, energy efficiency, investment banking, alternative energy, manufacturing, contract research, building products, consumer products, and information technology industries.

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Called to the Bar

- Ontario (1999)
- British Columbia (2022)

Education

- LL.B., University of Toronto,
 1997
- B.A. (Hons.), University of Saskatchewan, 1993

Affiliations

- Canadian Bar Association
- American Bar Association

Significant Transactions

Among Ryan's recent transactions are:

- Acted for Intervivo Solutions Inc. in connection with the sale of the company to a US based private equity firm.
- Acted for Wyse Meter Solutions Inc., an ONCAP portfolio company, in connection with a continuation fund transaction.
- Acted for Burke & Orion Limited in connection with the sale of the company to Navacord Corp.
- Acted for 55 Rush Inc. in connection with an equity investment by and strategic partnership with Plus Company International Limited.
- Acted for Amvic Inc. in connection with the sale of the company to Foam Holdings, Inc., a Wynnchurch portfolio company.
- Acted for CannTx Life Sciences Inc. in connection with the sale of the company to Entourage Health Corp.
- Acted for a number of Canadian subsidiaries of US-based or multinational corporate groups in connection with Canadian aspects of cross border acquisitions, debt financings and reorganizations.
- Acted for CIC Capital Canada Inc. / Crédit Mutuel Equity in connection with its private equity investments in the pharmacy, trucking/logistics and fintech industries.
- Acted for iManage in connection with its acquisition of all of the shares of Closing Folders.
- Acted for Davis-Standard LLC in connection with its acquisition of Gamma Machinery and Deacro Industries.
- Acted for Intelerad in connection with the sale of all of the shares of Intelerad to NOVACAP.
- Acted for Amphenol in connection with its acquisitions of the CTI Group and TPC Wire and Cable.
- Acted for Wajax in connection with various acquisitions of dealers and branches across Canada.
- Acted for banks and other lenders on various commercial loans, asset-based loans, note issues and cross-border security.
- Acted for Canadian Solar Inc. in connection with various corporate and financing transactions.
- Acted for a number of US and European based private equity funds on acquisitions of Canadian-based businesses and related cross border debt financings.
- Acted for numerous Toronto-area entrepreneurs in connection with acquisitions, joint ventures and equity and debt financings in a variety of industries.

Publications

- Quiz: Mergers and Acquisitions, February 01, 2012
- Canadian Capital Markets Lure Small and Mid-cap Clean-Tech, August 01, 2011
- Quiz: Cross-border Acquisitions, December 01, 2010