



Europe, Middle East & Africa

Stikeman Elliott has advised companies in all areas of Canadian business law in the European, Middle Eastern, and African markets for over fifty years. In 1969 we were the first Canadian firm to open an office in London, and today lawyers from across all our offices continue to work extensively throughout the EMEA markets, using their broad knowledge of the region to provide effective and efficient legal advice to businesses working in and with Canada.

We are proudly independent, allowing us to work with law firms across the region, providing a seamless transaction experience for clients. Our lawyers have experience in all industry sectors, and work in conjunction with experts across our different practice groups to deliver comprehensive Canadian legal advice.

Our Expertise

- Acquisitions and divestitures
- Acquisition financing
- Asset purchases and sales
- Cross-border transactions
- Commercial agreements
- Commodity taxation
- Corporate disputes
- Corporate financing
- Customs
- Debt and equity offerings
- Due diligence
- Energy and carbon trading
- Government relations
- High net worth individuals
- Infrastructure projects
- *Investment Canada Act & Competition Act*
- Joint ventures
- Merger control
- Mid-market companies
- Public takeovers
- Regulatory compliance
- Renewable energy
- Reorganizations
- Sales of privately-owned companies
- Stock exchange listings
- Succession planning

Accolades

- Corporate Law Firm of the Year - *Chambers Canada Awards 2017*
- *Chambers Global 2019* for Capital Markets
- *Chambers Canada 2020* for Capital Markets
- *The Legal 500 Canada 2019* for International Expertise: Europe, Middle East & Africa
- *The Legal 500 UK* as Tier 1 in Foreign Firms: Canadian Firms in London
- *IFLR1000: The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms 2020* for Banking & Finance

- *IFLR1000: The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms 2019* for Corporate/M&A
- Global Competition Review's *GCR 100 2019* as an Elite firm in Competition
- Matter of the year – *Global Competition Review Awards, 2019*
- Merger control matter of the year – Europe – *Global Competition Review Awards, 2019*
- Merger control matter of the year – Asia-Pacific, Middle East and Africa – *Global Competition Review Awards, 2019*
- Only Canadian law firm for All International Bonds by deal count (Manager) – *Thomson Reuters 2018*

Recent Work

- adidas AG in its divestiture of CCM Hockey to a newly formed affiliate of Birch Hill Equity Partners for US\$110M. CCM Hockey consists of its main operations in Montreal, Canada as well as operations in the U.S., Sweden, Norway and Finland.
- Centrica plc in the C\$722M acquisition of its Canadian oil and gas exploration and production business by Canlin Energy Corporation, a consortium of two Hong Kong-based companies, MIE Holdings Corp. and Can-China Global Resource Fund, and Geneva-based Mercuria Energy Group.
- Nokia and Alcatel-Lucent, as Canadian competition counsel, in Nokia's €15.6B acquisition of Alcatel-Lucent, creating an innovation leader in next generation technology and services for an IP connected world.
- Airbus SE, as lead counsel, in its partnership with Bombardier Inc. and Investissement Québec on the C Series aircraft programme.
- Osram GmbH, a publicly listed company and globally leading lighting manufacturer based in Munich, Germany, in its acquisition of a strategic 25.1% share in LeddarTech Inc.
- The syndicate of initial purchasers led by BofA Merrill Lynch, BNP PARIBAS, Citigroup, Credit Agricole CIB, Credit Suisse, Deutsche Bank Securities, Goldman, Sachs & Co., J.P. Morgan, National Bank of Canada Financial Markets and UBS Investment Bank, as joint book-running managers in the issuance and sale of US\$1.4B aggregate principal amount of new 8.750% Senior Notes due 2021 of Bombardier Inc.
- The independent committee of Oando Energy Resources Inc. in its acquisition by Oando PLC and certain institutional shareholders pursuant to a plan of arrangement for cash consideration of US\$1.20 per share, implying a transaction value of US\$13.7M and an equity value of approximately US\$955.3M.
- DH Corporation in its US\$1.25B acquisition of Fundtech Corporation, a leading provider of global payments solutions to banks worldwide.
- SNCF-Participations in the buyback by Student Transportation Inc., a company listed on the TSX, of the remaining five million shares SNCF still held.
- Sterling Resources Ltd. in its US\$163M sale by Sterling and its wholly-owned subsidiary, SRUK Holdings Ltd., of Sterling Resources (UK) Ltd. to Oranje-Nassau Energie B.V.

- Petrochemical Industries Company K.S.C., a subsidiary of Kuwait Petroleum, as Canadian counsel, on its joint venture with Pembina Pipeline Corporation regarding a proposed integrated propylene and polypropylene production facility in Sturgeon County, Alberta.
- TURCKBeteiligungs GmbH, a global leader in industrial automation technology, in its acquisition of Chartwell Automation, Inc.
- Kuwait Airways in the exemplification by the Quebec courts of a judgment obtained in England against the Republic of Iraq and Iraqi Airways. A seizure order was obtained before judgment in the hands of Bombardier in connection with 10 aircraft having a total value of approximately \$350M. The issue of sovereign immunity of the Republic of Iraq was ultimately dismissed by the Supreme Court of Canada.
- Xtreme Drilling and Coil Services in the acquisition from the Shoaibi Group of shares in Extreme Oil Drilling Saudi Arabia.
- France-based Limagrain, the world's fourth largest seed company, in connection with an investment in Canterra Seeds by Vilmorin Et Cie S.A., a publicly-listed company and subsidiary of Limagrain, and a joint venture in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, whereby Vilmorin and Canterra Seeds will develop new varieties of cereals.
- Delek Group in connection with its Canadian offshore oil and gas exploration license and all related development and joint venture matters.
- A leading Spanish bank in its concurrent exchange offers in the US and Brazil to acquire all of the equity it did not already own in a Brazilian subsidiary.
- Caracal Energy Inc. in its C\$1.5B acquisition by a wholly-owned subsidiary of Glencore Xstrata Plc.
- OC Oerlikon Corporation AG, Pfäffikon, a leading high-tech industrial group specializing in machine and plant engineering and listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange, in its acquisition of Sulzer Metco at an enterprise value of CHF 1B.
- GBC Oil Company in a US\$113M international arbitration against the government of Albania for wrongful expropriation of producing oilfields.
- Cordiant Capital Inc. in its senior and subordinated financings of the White Mountain Anorthosite Project of Hudson Greenland A/S in Naajat, Greenland for US\$13M and US\$9.5M respectively.
- Dealflo, as Canadian counsel, in its £41M acquisition by VASCO Data Security, Inc.
- Cordiant Capital in connection with its US\$9M financing of Bandwidth and Cloud Services Group Holdings, a Mauritius-based holding company that builds, owns and leases fibre optic networks in Uganda, Kenya, Rwanda and Zambia.
- Komatsu Ltd., as Canadian counsel, in its acquisition of 100% of the issued and outstanding shares of Joy Global Inc. for US\$2.9B.
- Bombardier Inc. and Bombardier Aerospace Corporation in connection with an action in damages for over C\$42M filed by an executive air carrier operating from Bahrain.