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Overview

Michael is a partner in Dentons' Banking and Finance group.

Based in Toronto, Michael possesses strong and established knowledge and experience on a wide range of financing/debt transactions. He skillfully counsels and guides foreign and domestic clients on financing matters with a particular emphasis on fund finance, loan syndications, cash flow and asset based lending, acquisition financings, cross-border financings, project and real estate financings, mezzanine financings and inter-creditor arrangements.

Michael also advises clients in connection with corporate restructuring, private mergers and acquisitions and other corporate matters. He acts for a number of financial institutions, as well as other public and private entities in the financial services, resource, manufacturing, entertainment, energy and retail industries.

Experience

- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Agent on a CA\$300 million syndicated credit facility in favour of one of Canada's largest wine producers and distributors.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Agent in connection with a CA\$125 million syndicated capital call financing of a US private equity firm.
- **Global Bank:** Advising the Agent on CA\$180 million cross border (Canada, Australia, New Zealand) financing of a North American private equity firm's acquisition of a uniform and apparel business.
- **Global Bank:** Advising the Agent on CA\$150 million cross-border (Canada and US) financing of a US private equity firm's acquisition of an electrical contracting business.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Agent on a CA\$115 million syndicated credit facility for one of Canada's leading diversified healthcare services companies.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Lender on a cross-border (Canada, US, Cayman Islands) bi-lateral capital call financing of a North American private equity firm.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Lender on CA\$65 million cross-border (Canada and China)

financing of Canadian a private equity firm's acquisition of a manufacturing business.

- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Lender in connection with a CA\$35 million capital call financing of a Canadian private equity firm.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Lender in connection with a bi-lateral capital call financing of a Canadian private equity firm in the real estate industry.
- **Pacific Life Insurance Company:** Acting for the Lender in the financing of the redevelopment of a landmark hotel and conference centre in Victoria, British Columbia.
- **Pacific Life Insurance Company:** Acting for the Lender on the restructuring and refinancing of CA\$180 million first mortgage debt secured by two hotels in Ontario and British Columbia.
- **Global Bank:** Advising the Lender on a CA\$35 million cross-border (Asia, Europe and North America) financing of a Canadian private equity firm.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Lender on its CA\$40 million financing of a Canadian private equity firm's acquisition of two organic oats businesses.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Agent on a CA\$80 million syndicated construction financing of a university residence.
- **Borrower:** Acting as counsel in connection with a CA\$40 million hotel re-financing with Mass Mutual Financial Group.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising as Lead Agent and Lender on a CA\$100 million syndicated asset based credit facility in favour of a large tubular steel distributor.
- **Scotia Asset Finance:** Acting as Counsel in connection with the syndicated, asset based financing of a US private equity firm's recapitalization of one of Canada's leading floor covering solutions companies.
- **Bank of Nova Scotia:** Advising the Bank on financing of a US private equity firm's acquisition of Kicking Horse Coffee, the leading organic and fair-trade coffee roaster in Canada.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Bank on the acquisition financing of a Canadian private equity firm's acquisition of a leading Ontario-based manufacturer of rotary gas meters for the gas utilities industry.
- **Global TIP Holdings Two B.V.:** Advising in connection with the financing of its acquisition of Train Trailer Rentals, the second largest semi-trailer rental, lease and storage company in Canada.
- **Mercuria Energy Group, Ltd.:** Advising one of the largest integrated energy and commodity trading companies in the world on its US\$1.35 billion syndicated credit facility, a portion of which was used in connection with the acquisition of JPMorgan's global physical commodities trading business.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Bank on a CA\$55 million asset-based facility for a major Canadian retailer with over 90 locations across Canada.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Bank as Lender on a CA\$35 million asset-based lending transaction for a Canadian transportation, warehousing and logistics company.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising the Bank as administrative agent and lender in the US\$150 million senior secured financing to Pivotal Payments Direct Corp., Pivotal Holdings Ltd. and Pivotal Payments Corporation (Pivotal). Pivotal is a leading provider of global payment processing solutions. The facilities, secured in Canada, US and Ireland, were used in part to finance Pivotal's acquisition of Intuit Inc.'s pool of approximately 20,000 non-Quickbooks merchants of record.
- **Canadian Chartered Bank:** Advising on a number of bilateral asset-based financing's, including recent asset-based financing's in favor of a fuel management company, a buildings supply retailer, a manufacturer of pressure vessels and a food service distributor.
- **Borrower:** Acting as Ontario counsel to the borrower, a leading international electronic components

manufacturer, in connection with its US\$200 million syndicated credit facility.

- **Borrower:** Acting as Ontario counsel to the borrower, a leading manufacturer of forest products, in connection with its CA\$200 million asset-based syndicated credit facility.

Recognition

First recognized in 2018, Michael has been commended for his extensive knowledge and experience in a variety of respected publications, including:

- *The Legal 500 Canada: Banking & Finance*
- *Chambers Canada: Banking & Finance*
- *The Best Lawyers in Canada: Asset-Based Lending Practice; Banking and Finance Law*
- *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory: Asset-Based Lending; Banking and Financial Institutions*
- *Lexpert Special Edition – Canada's Leading Lawyers: Global Mining*
- *IFLR1000: The Guide to the World's Leading Financial Law Firms: Banking and Finance*

Insights

- Co-author, "Fund Finance 2020 | Canada," *Global Legal Insights, 2020*
- Co-author, "Fund Finance 2019 | Canada," *Global Legal Insights, 2019*
- Co-author, "Fund Finance 2018 | Canada," *Global Legal Insights, 2018*

Activities and Affiliations

- Canadian Bar Association
- Ontario Bar Association
- The Law Society of Upper Canada (Ontario)

Areas of focus

Practices

- Fund Finance
- Corporate and Syndicated Lending
- Asset Finance and Lending
- Banking and Finance
- Debt Capital Markets
- Acquisition Finance
- Real Estate

Industry sectors

- Financial Institutions
- Energy
- Mining

Education

- University of Western Ontario, 2002, LLB
- University of Western Ontario, 1998, BA

Admissions and qualifications

- Ontario, 2003

Languages

- English