

Defence & Security

Businesses working in defence and security need a legal team defined by its vigilance, adaptability and specialized expertise.

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We regularly advise the defence industry on:

- government procurements and bid disputes
- export controls and economic sanctions
- access to information requests
- federal and provincial lobbying rules
- joint ventures and teaming agreements
- intellectual property protection and rights
- corporate, commercial, litigation, and labour and employment matters

Our team represents defence industry clients before a number of bodies, including:

- the Canadian International Trade Tribunal
- the Federal Court
- the Federal Court of Appeal
- the Supreme Court of Canada

We have also appeared before the Security Intelligence Review Committee and international dispute resolution panels established as a result of the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Experience

- Kratos Defense & Security Solutions, Inc. (NASDAQ: KTOS), a leading National Security Solutions provider, in its US\$35 million acquisition of satellite antenna manufacturer ASC Signal from CPI.
- Revision Military, a global high performance protective solutions provider, on the carve-out and divestiture of its world-class eyewear business to a New York-based private equity fund.
- Safariland Group, a leading provider of a diverse range of safety and survivability products for the public safety, military, professional and outdoor markets on the divestiture of Mustang Survival, Inc. and its related entities to the WING Group, a leading manufacturer of inflatable sponsons, small combat craft, whitewater rafting solutions, life rafts, and marine doors and windows.

- Reflex Photonics, Inc. and its shareholders, a global leader in rugged high-reliability optical transceiver modules for space, defence, aerospace, and industrial application in the sale of 100% of the shares to U.K. based Smiths Interconnect.
- COSCO Shipping Holdings Co. Ltd. (COSCO) and Orient Overseas International Ltd. (OOIL) in COSCO's US\$6.3B acquisition of OOIL.
- IFS World Operations AB, a leading provider of aviation maintenance software solutions to defence and commercial aviation operators on their acquisition of Mxi Technologies, a provider of integrated and intelligent maintenance management software solutions for the global aviation industry.
- Ernst & Young in connection with an asset sale involving aircraft and helicopters, arising out of a receivership Allstream Inc. in its public takeover by Manitoba Telecom.
- Revision Military Inc. in connection with its acquisition of Ottawa-based Panacis Inc., a developer of lithium ion rechargeable energy storage systems.
- EMS Technologies Canada Ltd., a wireless solutions provider, in the sale of its Space and SatNet divisions.
- L-3 Communications Canada Inc., Canada's premier in-service aircraft support integrator, in its acquisition of Bombardier's Military Aviation Services division.
- L-3 MAPPS, leading global supplier for marine, power generation and space sectors, on contract negotiation for the Royal Canadian Navy's Arctic/Offshore Patrol Ship Project.

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