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Elly is a partner in the Financial Services Group. Her practice focuses on corporate finance and commercial lending. Her expertise includes innovation and technology finance, acquisition finance, asset-based lending, environmentally linked sustainability lending, commercial real estate finance, commercial mortgage-backed securities lending, insurance finance, capital call facilities and mezzanine lending. She advises financial institutions, private lenders, corporate borrowers and private funds on domestic or cross-border bilateral and syndicated loan transactions, as well as complex intercreditor arrangements.

Elly's expertise extends to include corporate restructurings, DIP financings, bankruptcies and receiverships under the *Companies' Creditors Arrangement Act* and the *Bankruptcy and Insolvency Act*.

Elly is fluent in both French and Farsi.

Experience

- Lead counsel to Finning International Inc. in their C$1.3 billion global credit facility with a syndicate of international banks.
- British Columbia counsel to Export Development Bank of Canada in connection with the Canadian Emergency Business Program (CEBA) in $55 billion program to small and medium sized businesses affected by COVID-19.
- Lead counsel to a syndicate of lenders in C$603 million cross-border financing of port terminal facility.

- Lead counsel to syndicate of lenders in connection with $500 million financing to health care aggregator.
- Lead counsel to a syndicate of lenders in US$300-million and C$55-million cross-border financing of agricultural produce grower and supplier.
- Lead counsel to multiple lenders in C$200-million financing of oil exploration and production company.
- Lead counsel to syndicate of lenders in connection with $170 million financing of trucking and logistics operator.
- Lead counsel to syndicate of lenders in connection with $120 million cross-border financing in connection with a plan of arrangement acquisition.
- Lead counsel to senior lender in C$60-million financing of software company.
- Lead counsel to senior lender in C$40-million financing of natural wellness products company.
- Lead counsel to senior lender in connection with the financing of a ski resort.
- Lead counsel to a group of debtors in C$33-million financing of retail chain of restaurants.
- Lead counsel to Royal Bank of Canada in financing of commercial income producing properties secured by mortgage-backed securities in Western Canada.
- Counsel to numerous restructuring, receivership and bankruptcy proceedings, including Shoes.com, Technologies Inc., Hanjin Shipping Co., Ltd. and Flying Cameras Inc.

Insights & Events

- Volunteer Editor, "British Columbia Personal Property Security Act Practice Manual"
- Co-author, "Provincial Legislation is of Paramount Importance: The Doctrine of Supreme Court of Canada's Recent Interpretation of the Doctrine of Paramountcy," International Corporate Rescue
- Speaker, "Building Efficiency Gains in Lending," BLG's Financial Services Group National Symposium, October 2016
- Speaker, "Top 10 Legal Risks for Business," RBC Client Seminar, February 2016
- Speaker, "Securities 101," BLG U, September 2015
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- Speaker, "Bitcoins: What Are They and What Are the Legal Implications of Using Them?" BLG U, May 2014
- Co-author, "Provincial Legislation is of Paramount Importance: The Doctrine of Supreme Court of Canada's Recent Interpretation of the Doctrine of Paramountcy," International Corporate Rescue
- Volunteer Editor, British Columbia Personal Property Security Act Practice Manual

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Advisory Council, Association of Women in Finance
- Former President, Association of Women in Finance
- Member, Association of Corporate Growth
- Member, Law Society of British Columbia
- Member, Banking and Insolvency Subsections, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, Vancouver Bar Association
- Guest Instructor, Secured Transactions, Professional Legal Training Course
- Member, BLG Recruitment Committee
- Former member, Board of Directors, Vancouver Bar Association
- Former Vice-President, Young Insolvency Professionals Committee

Community Involvement

- Co-Founder and CEO, Bulletproof Cosmetics
- Co-Founder and Director, Bulletproof Foundation
- Group Leader, BLG Reads to Kids
- Member, BLG Glue Committee
- Member, BLG Driven by Women

Awards & Recognition

- Recognized in the 2027 (and since 2025) edition of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* (Asset-Based Lending Practice & Banking and Finance Law)
- Recognized as a 2026 *Lexpert* Rising Stars - 40 & Under
- Recognized in the 2026 edition (and since 2025) of *Lexpert Special Edition: Finance*
- Recognized in the 2024 edition of *Lexpert Special Edition: Finance and M&A*
- Association of Women in Finance 2025, Rising Star.
- Recognized in the 2026 edition of the *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* (Banking & Financial Institutions).
- Business in Vancouver 2023, Top Forty under 40

Bar Admission & Education

- British Columbia, 2013

- JD, Queen's University, 2012
- BA, Simon Fraser University, 2009

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