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Paul's approach is practical and cost-effective, ensuring that his clients receive prompt, value-added service and useful advice.

Paul applies the hard-lined, persuasive, and practical negotiating skills he developed as a litigator in his commercial real estate and financing practice.

Paul acts on behalf of individuals and corporations in Alberta and internationally. He is involved with reviewing, drafting, negotiating, enforcing, and providing advice in real estate and finance-related matters and documents.

Paul began his legal career as a litigator and has appeared at all levels of Court in Alberta.

Paul provides legal services through a Law Corporation.

In his spare time, Paul enjoys hiking with his wife in the Alberta Rocky Mountains and fishing.

## Experience

- Berkshire Hathaway Energy Company ("BHE"), in its indirect share purchase acquisition of the Montana Alberta Tie-Line from Enbridge Inc. for an approximate purchase price of \$200M.

- Acted for numerous vendors and purchasers regarding the disposition and acquisition of significant real estate assets, including office buildings, industrial lands and bare lands.
- Assisted clients with all aspects of commercial real estate transactions, including: completing due diligence, drafting and negotiating the Purchase and Sale Agreement, preparing and negotiating closing documents, addressing transaction-specific issues, clearing title of non-permitted encumbrances and closing the transaction.
- Reviewed, prepared, and negotiated lease agreements on behalf of landlords, brokers, and tenants, including lease enforcement, office leases, industrial leases, residential leases, retail leases, solar farm and wind farm options to lease and leases.
- Acted for developers with regarding the development of residential, multi-residential, mixed-use, condominiums, and commercial projects.
- Acted for lenders and borrowers regarding various loan transactions and the preparation of related security.
- Acted for significant financial institutions regarding the disposition and acquisition of large loan portfolios secured by assets across Canada.
- Presented on two recent Supreme Court of Canada cases: *Sattva v. Capital Corp.* v. *Creston Moly Corp.*, 2014 SCC 53 with respect to the “factual matrix” and its importance with respect to contractual interpretation; and *Bhasin v. Hrynew*, 2014 SCC 71, with respect to the duty of honest contractual performance.

## Insights & Events

- Author, "Ontario Courts consider force majeure clause in the context of COVID-19", BLG Article, November 2020
- Author, "Details announced on the Canada emergency rent subsidy", BLG Article, October 2020
- Author, "Details announced on the Canada Emergency Commercial Rent Assistance program", BLG Article, May 2020
- Author, "Virtual signing and witnessing of wills and powers of attorney in B.C., Alberta, Ontario and Québec", BLG Article, April 2020
- Author, "Rent deferment agreements in light of COVID-19", BLG Article, March 2020

## Beyond our Walls

### Community Involvement

- Member, Calgary Bar Association
- Member, Law Society of Alberta
- Member, Canadian Bar Association

## Bar Admission & Education

- Alberta, 2011



- JD, University of Calgary, 2010
- BComm (with distinction), University of Victoria, 2006

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