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Jacob represents both Canadian and international clients in customs, anti-dumping and countervailing duty, and investment dispute litigation. Jacob provides strategic advice to businesses on customs compliance, procurement, sanctions, and export controls, and to government clients on free trade agreements and WTO matters.

Before pursuing law, Jacob was an elected Ward Councillor in the Township of Uxbridge, and worked in an advisory capacity to both a Federal and Provincial Member of Parliament.

As a law student at Queen's University, Jacob competed in the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot in Vienna, Austria and pre-moots in Montréal, Washington, New York, Belgrade, and Budapest.

Jacob also participated in an exchange with the National University of Singapore, Faculty of Law.

Experience

- The Government of Ontario in the CUSMA/USMCA negotiations.
- Agricultural producer's associations in connection with free trade agreement and WTO compliance matters.
- Delivering capacity-building seminars covering anti-dumping, countervailing duty, and safeguard investigations to a **Southeast Asian government.**
- Assisting a **global fashion retailer** in establishing e-commerce fulfillment operations in Canada, including successfully accessing customs duty and GST relief.

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- Delivering a capacity-building seminar on the trade-in-services provisions of free trade agreements to a **Canadian provincial government.**
- Advising a **government electricity authority** on subsidy issues arising in foreign countervailing duty investigations.
- Lone Pine Resources Inc. in connection with an investment dispute under the North American Free Trade Agreement.
- A **mining company** in connection with investment protections pursuant to multi-lateral and bi-lateral investment treaties.
- **LNG Canada and the Canadian Coalition for Construction Steel** in connection with a safeguards inquiry before the Canadian International Trade Tribunal relating to a recommendation to the Government of Canada on whether to implement a definitive safeguard measure on certain steel products.
- International Industries Ltd. (Pakistan) in connection with an anti-dumping investigation and injury hearing before the Canadian International Trade Tribunal concerning certain Carbon Steel Welded Pipe exported from Pakistan, the Philippines, Turkey, and Vietnam.
- An **S&P/TSX 60 company** in connection with a procurement dispute under the Agreement on Internal Trade and Canadian Free Trade Agreement.
- An **Ontario municipality** advising on procurement requirements pursuant to the Canada-EU Comprehensive Economic Trade Agreement.
- An engineering joint venture in connection with an investigation of alleged corruption.
- A government entity in connection with a review of procurement, anti-corruption and integrity policies.

Insights & Events

- Author, "A matter of import: Thousands of business entities to start reporting under Bill S-211 as of 2024", BLG Article, May 2023
- Author, "Overlooked? Canada's new supply chain transparency law expands import ban on forced and child labour", BLG Article, May 2023
- Author, "Lobbying federal officials and the new Code of Conduct", BLG Article, February 2023
- Author, "Canada's new Russia-related sanctions", BLG Article, February 2022
- Author, "New COVID law allows delays in trade remedy proceedings, risks WTO violations", BLG Article, August 2020
- Author, "Customs planning during COVID-19: CBSA updates", BLG Article, March 2020
- Author, "Now the Past is Unpredictable Too: Importers Face Enhanced Risk of Retroactive Anti-dumping Duties Despite Canada's "Prospective" Trade Remedy System", BLG Article, August 2019
- Author, "Amendments to Canada's Anti-Dumping Regulations Pose New Risks for Foreign Producers and Importers", BLG Article, August 2019
- Speaker, "Playing by the rules? Safeguards and Steel Wars", International Law at a Crossroads, May 2019, Queen's University Bader International Study Centre, East Sussex, United Kingdom.
- Author, "Helms-Burton Act Announcement Puts Canadian Companies with Cuba Business at Risk", BLG Article, April 2019
- Author, "AML Enforcement in Canada: Budget 2019 Targets Financial Crime and Trade-Based Money Laundering", BLG Article, April 2019
- Author, "In a Victory for Rules-Based Trade, Canadian International Trade Tribunal Largely Rejects Steel Safeguards", BLG Article, April 2019
- Co-author, "Canada Expands Sanctions Against Russian Entities and Individuals", BLG Publication, March 2019

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- Speaker, "Impacts of International Trade Agreements on Food Regulation in Canada", University of Toronto, March 2019.
- Author, "New Canadian Sanctions Target Individuals Involved in Murder of Jamal Khashoggi", BLG Article, December 2018
- Author, "USMCA Automotive Rules of Origin", BLG Article, November 2018
- Author, "Canada Announces Consultation on Provisional Steel Safeguards", BLG Article, August 2018
- Author, "They're Back...Renewed U.S. Sanctions Imperil Canadian Business with Iran", BLG Article, August 2018
- Author, "U.S. Department Of Commerce Begins Autos Investigation Hearings", BLG Article, July 2018

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Professional Involvement

- Christian Legal Fellowship of Canada
- Transparency International
- Ontario Bar Association
- International Bar Association

Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2024 edition of *Chambers Canada Canada's Leading Lawyers for Business* (International Trade/WTO Nationwide).
- Recipient of the WeirFoulds LLP Award in Remedies

Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 2017
- Certified Customs Specialist, Canadian Society of Customs Brokers, 2020
- JD, Queen's University, 2016
- JD Exchange Program, Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore
- BA (Hons.), Queen's University, 2010

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