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New partners drive growth in BLG's Insolvency and Restructuring Group

Isabelle Desharnais and Eugénie Lefebvre join the Montréal office

Montréal (October 18, 2021) – Borden Ladner Gervais LLP (BLG) welcomes Isabelle Desharnais and Eugénie Lefebvre to the firm as partners in our rapidly growing National <u>Financial Services Group</u>, rounding out our toptier <u>Insolvency and Restructuring team</u>.

Isabelle Desharnais is a market-leading insolvency and restructuring lawyer, joining to co-lead BLG's sectorbased approach to the Montréal Insolvency and Restructuring market. Isabelle's practice focuses on insolvency and financial restructuring, banking law and corporate finance. She specializes in representing banks, mortgage lenders, asset-based lenders and other financial institutions, as well as trustees and creditors & committees of creditors relating to their rights in cases of realization of lender's security, insolvency, fraud, liquidation, and enforcement of personal and corporate guarantees. She previously worked with BLG, as a partner in the <u>Financial Services Group</u> for more than 15 years.

Eugénie Lefebvre is a notable insolvency and restructuring lawyer in Montréal. Her focus is on insolvency, financial restructuring, banking law and bankruptcy. Eugénie also has extensive expertise in litigation, fraud, personal data protection and privacy in the banking sector. She was previously a senior associate in BLG's Financial Services Group before she joined the legal department of a major Canadian bank as legal counsel.

"Isabelle and Eugénie are highly skilled with unique expertise in the insolvency and restructuring, banking and finance areas," said <u>Stephen Redican</u>, National Group Head of BLG's Specialized Business Law group. "They have significant experience advising clients before all courts in Québec, which will benefit BLG's clients and complement our diverse team. We are pleased to welcome them back home to BLG."

"Our Insolvency & Restructuring team is always looking to be a step ahead – consistently growing and striving to deliver top-tier support for immediate and complex challenges" added <u>Claudine Millette</u>, National Business Leader of BLG's Financial Services Group. "We always aim to be leaders in diversity and continue to add knowledgeable and dedicated lawyers to our team. We are thrilled to have Isabelle and Eugenie rejoin the team and grow our expertise in this sector."

BLG's national <u>Insolvency & Restructuring team</u> is comprised of dedicated, leading insolvency and restructuring lawyers. The team has a strong, national reach and a vast network of relationships and specialized expertise in cross-border restructuring and can advise clients in all types of financial or operational restructurings or proceedings.

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