



## Stefan Timms

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Stefan specializes in domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, investments, reorganizations, joint ventures, and commercial agreements.

He represents a broad range of clients in many different industries, with an emphasis on:

- financial services
- education
- industrial/manufacturing
- technology
- food, beverage and agribusiness
- consumer products
- healthcare
- real estate services or holdings

Stefan provides corporate commercial advice to a wide range of domestic and foreign clients, including businesses that are looking to expand by investment or by acquisition into the Canadian market.

Stefan regularly acts as an external general counsel for businesses without legal counsel in Canada or at all and is a trusted business advisor and a creative problem-solver who is committed to providing practical, strategic, commercial and actionable advice in a responsive and cost-effective manner.

Stefan is national chair of the firm's Private Equity Group, is the Toronto regional leader of our U.S. Steering Committee and is a member of our International Steering Committee.

Stefan spent six months at one of the largest international package delivery companies as a temporary replacement for their vice-president/general counsel. In this capacity, he oversaw all legal matters related to both the small package and supply chain aspects of the Canadian business.

Prior to joining BLG, Stefan worked at another large Canadian-based law firm, and while at this firm he spent three years at their Chicago office providing U.S.-based clients with advice on Canadian legal matters.

## Experience

- In the past three years, lead and/or supported the acquisition or sales of minority or majority interests or assets on behalf of: M3 Mortgage Group, Securian Financial Group, Besurance, Pitney Bowes, Groupon, Experian, Vasco Data Security, Diversis Capital, Abry Partners, The Government of Canada, Epiroc, Atlas Copco, Chicago Bridge & Iron, Dover Corporation, North Branch Capital, Bakercorp, Buchanan Rubber, Purdue Pharma, Shoppers Drug Mart, Akorn Pharmaceuticals, Loblaw's, Mill Street Brewery, Oliver & Bonacini, Morrison Lamothe, Archerwill Investments, Greenhouse Holdings North America, Griffin Education, Holmes Institute, Oxford House College, Bridgepoint, Cambridge Education Group, Cushman & Wakefield, Johnson Controls, LWG Consulting, Envista Forensics, ADS Forensics, Symphony Senior Living, Equity ICI, Ecom Media Group, Sequoia Capital, ACCO Brands, Coty, Safariland, JafTex, Aspire Sports Supplements, Overnight Recovery Brands, Bell Media, Ares Capital, Key Travel and The Forestland Group.

## Insights & Events

- Current considerations for PE-Backed companies beyond MAC and force majeure clauses
- Moderator, "Executive Leadership and Driving Corporate Growth," ACG Toronto Capital Connection Plenary Panel, November 2018.
- Moderator, "Opportunities in the Evolving Canadian Retail Landscape," ACG Toronto Breakfast Seminar, February 2018.
- Moderator, "Patterns for Success in Today's M&A Environment," ACG Toronto Capital Connection Panel, November 2017.
- Quoted, "Borden Ladner Gervais snags M&A partner from Blakes," International Financial Law Review, October 2015.

## Beyond our Walls

### Community Involvement

- Pro Bono Advisor, Connect Legal
- Pro Bono Advisor, Right To Play
- Sports governing body board member, Athletes Canada
- Sports governing body board member, Ontario Association of Triathletes
- Sports governing body board member, Triathlon Canada

## Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2020 edition *The Canadian Legal Lexpert® Directory* (Corporate Mid-Market).
- Lexpert Zenith Award for his pro bono work with Right To Play, 2010.

## Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 2006
- LLB, University of Victoria, 2005
- BA(Hons.), University of Western Ontario, 1996

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