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Cherie acts for lenders - both private lenders and financial institutions - and borrowers in a variety of **debt-financing** and **lending transactions** .

She provides lending and financing expertise to clients looking to complete corporate mergers, acquisitions and reorganizations, and involving operating and term credit facilities across all market levels . She has experience in:

- real estate financings
- leveraged buy-out financings
- multi-jurisdictional lending transactions
- syndicated loans transactions
- mezzanine and subordinated debt financing
- asset-based lending

Cherie focuses on **real estate** and **construction financings** related to the acquisition, development and refinancing of various real estate assets such as land acquisitions, shopping centres, office buildings, industrial and mixed-use residential properties.

She advises on issues relating to the *Land Title Act* and the *Personal Property Security Act*, and has assisted lenders with developing standard forms for loan, security and related agreements, as well as establishing lending practices and procedures for commercial mortgage and other real estate-based lending programs.

She regularly acts for sureties in connection with deposit protection facilities and advises on the *Real Estate Development Marketing Act*.

Cherie is also a member of the Alberta Law Society and routinely acts on transactions with both a B.C. and Alberta component.

Cherie is conversational in Cantonese. Cherie provides legal services through a Law Corporation.

Insights & Events

- Panelist, "Scotiabank Women's Initiative," Un-Mentorship Boot Camps, May 2019
- Co-Author, "Lenders: Be Aware of Potentially Shorter Limitation Periods for Enforcing Demand Loans," BLG Financial Services/Commercial Real Estate Bulletin, July 2015
- Contributing Author, update to the British Columbia Mortgages Practice Manual, The Continuing Legal Education Society of British Columbia, 2015
- Speaker, "The Benefits & Risks of Lending to Restructuring Companies", BLG's Financial Services Seminar, September 2013
- Speaker, "The Indalex Case," BLG U, April 2013

Beyond our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Past Co-Chair, Risk Management Association, Young Professionals Group (Vancouver chapter)
- Member, Canadian Bar Association, Banking Section
- Member, Law Society of British Columbia
- Member, Law Society of Alberta

Community Involvement

- Board Director, Boys and Girls Club Foundation of South Coast BC, 2022 – Present
- Speaker, University of British Columbia, Allard Law Women's Caucus, Mothers in Law Panel, January 2022
- Mentor, Federation of Asian Canadian Lawyers, 2014-Present
- Volunteer, Vancouver Food Runners, 2020 – present
- Division Ambassador, H1 & H2 Vancouver Thunderbirds Minor Hockey Association, 2021 - Present
- Team Manager, H1, H2 & H3 Vancouver Thunderbirds Minor Hockey Association, 2019 – 2022
- Team Manager, Jericho Little League Baseball, 2018 – 2020
- Volunteer, Access Pro Bono's "Pro Bono Going Public", September 2020
- Volunteer, BLG Reads to Kids Program (Literacy Program for Inner-City Kids), 2011-2020

Awards & Recognitions

- Recognized in the 2024 edition (and since 2022) of *The Best Lawyers in Canada*® (Asset-Based Lending Practice) and since 2021 (Banking and Finance Law)
- Recognized in the 2024 edition (and since 2022) of *The Canadian Legal Lexpert*® Directory for Banking & Financial Institutions
- Recognized in the 2024 edition (and since 2023) of *Lexpert Special Edition: Finance and M&A*
- Recognized in the 2023 edition of *Lexpert Rising Stars*

Bar Admission & Education

- British Columbia, 2011
- Alberta, 2010

- LLB, University of Saskatchewan, 2009, (included exchange programs in 2007 at Oxford University in the U.K. and the University of Victoria in B.C.)
- BA in English Literature, University of British Columbia, 2006

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