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Noella's expertise is in commercial real estate. Her practice focuses on:

- acquisitions and dispositions
- developments and leasing
- public-private transactions
- joint ventures and partnerships

She advises clients on structuring transactions and issues related to financing, leasing, development, environmental concerns and title.

She also specializes in hotel-related transactions, including:

- management and franchise agreements
- co-ownership arrangements
- financing

Noella provides legal services through a Law Corporation.

Experience

• Acting in acquisitions of numerous shopping centres, office buildings, hotels and development properties, including consideration of structure of transaction, negotiating and drafting agreements of



purchase and sale, co-ownership arrangements, property management agreements and negotiating and acting on financings related to acquisitions.

- Acting for various banks and trust companies and borrowers in connection with the financing of real property, including financing of major hotels, shopping centres, office towers and development projects.
- Lead the legal team acting for **George Brown College** in connection with its \$200-million Waterfront Campus Development Project, which involved the creation of an integrated facility including academic buildings, student spaces and a recreation centre.
- Part of the team acting for the **City of Ottawa** in connection with the establishment of a Light Rail Transit System through a public-private partnership.
- Acted for **George Brown College** in connection with its acquisition of a Student Residence on the Pan/Parapan Am Games Athlete's Village Site.
- Acted for a pension fund and a large private corporation in the acquisition of a \$1-billion portfolio of shopping centres in Ontario.
- Acted for a consortium, including a pension fund, a financial institution and a large private corporation in the acquisition of a \$900-million portfolio of office buildings across Canada.
- Part of the team acting for **Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan Board** in its acquisition of Cadillac Fairview Corporation (CFC), a major and complex transaction involving several billion dollars.
- Part of the real estate team acting for **Canadian Broadcast Corporation** (CBC) in connection with the development of the Broadcast Centre in Toronto. The project involved structuring arrangements for long term leases of two future office towers, agreements regarding a proposed condominium project and agreements involving the construction and financing of the CBC Broadcast Centre.
- Acted for **Context Development Ltd**. in the negotiation of the acquisition and development of its condominium projects, including The Spire, Tip Top Lofts, Kensington Place, Radio City Lofts, Mozo and District Lofts.
- Acted on the purchase of some of Canada's leading hotels, including, The Fairmont Chateau Laurier and The St. Regis Hotel Vancouver.

Beyond our Walls

Community Involvement

- Member, Order of Ontario Advisory Council
- Member, Advisory Board, Children's Aid Foundation
- Former president and honorary life director, The Canadian Club
- Recent Past Member, Board of Directors, St. Michael's Hospital Chancellor, George Brown College
- Immediate Past Chair of the Board of Directors, George Brown College Foundation
- Member, Board of Directors, Children's Aid Society of Toronto
- Immediate past-chair, UNICEF Canada

Bar Admission & Education

• Ontario, 1988



- LLB, University of Toronto, 1986
- BA, Carleton University, 1982

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