

## **Aviation Law**

## Profile

The aviation industry in Canada is a cornerstone of the country's economy, playing a critical role in transporting goods and people across vast distances. The industry is not only a major driver of the economy and essential for connecting remote communities, but it is also critical to several key sectors that rely on air transportation to access remote or challenging locations. Given British Columbia's vast and often rugged terrain, aviation supports industries and services that are vital to the country's economic well-being and public safety, including natural resources, heli-skiing, sport fishing and other tourism, air ambulance and other emergency services.

With deep industry knowledge and a client-focused approach, we support aviation businesses, financial institutions, lessors, and aircraft owners in navigating the specialized and complex regulatory and commercial landscape of the aviation industry. We also offer strategic advice for commercial matters, including aviation and aircraft transactions and registration, as well as aviation service contracts and federally regulated employment matters.

Our lawyers have assisted with local and cross-border aircraft acquisitions, dispositions and financings involving the U.S., Europe and South America. We have significant experience working with Oklahoma-based escrow agents in connection with the purchase, sale and financing of N-registered aircraft. We also have experience with Canadian Transportation Agency and Transport Canada licensing and registration matters, including structuring to meet Canadian ownership and control requirements. We regularly assist clients with commercial and private aircraft financing, including facilitating searches and registrations in the International Registry of Mobile Assets.

To ensure that clients benefit from our fully integrated and multidisciplinary approach, we

work collaboratively with our colleagues within the firm to capitalize on their wealth of knowledge. We work with the firm's complementary practice areas, such as business law, tax, secured lending, employment and labour law, and others to offer holistic strategies and achieve optimal outcomes. We combine legal expertise with industry insights to deliver practical, innovative solutions for our clients, fostering long-term success in an evolving market.

Our services include:

- > Mergers and Acquisitions:
- > Aircraft Purchase and Sale:
- > Aircraft Financing:
- > Aircraft Leasing:
- > Business Structuring and Licencing:
- > Labour and Employment:
- > Tax:

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