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Expertise

Non-Profit and Charities

Business and Corporate Commercial

Education

- University of Toronto, B.A. 1966, J.D., 1969
- London School of Economics, LL.M., 1973

Bar Admission

- Ontario Bar, 1971

Executive Summary

With extensive experience in not-for-profit and charitable organizations as well as corporate and commercial law, Cliff provides his clients with the benefit of his broad range of legal knowledge. He counsels Boards of Directors on procedural matters, contracts, employment matters, business activities, grant applications, taxation and regulatory compliance and works with charitable donors and their advisors.

Cliff also advises on governance and continuance issues under federal and provincial non-share capital statutes. As a business law advisor, Cliff acts for private companies, partnerships, joint ventures, entrepreneurs and professionals, assisting them in all aspects of their establishment, financing, relationships, business activities and succession.

Representative Work

- Advice to national religious organization on application of Canada Not-for-Profit Corporations Act to its special legislation
- Acting for environmental non-profit on financing off-balance sheet financing for energy retrofits of publicly and privately owned commercial and residential buildings
- Establishment of trust structure to hold private company shares for benefit of public charitable foundation.

Articles and Presentations

- Building An Ideal Non-Share Corporations Act – September 25, 2020
- Nathan and Goldfarb's Company Meetings for Share Capital and Non-Share Capital Corporations 12th ed.), 2020, co-author, LexisNexis
- "Building an Ideal Non-Share Corporations Act", (Canadian Bar Association, 2020)
- Changes to the Rules on Gifts and Exports of Cultural Property and Registered Charities and Political Advocacy – May 23, 2019
- Social Clubs with Share Capital and the ONCA – June 21, 2018
- Now in Effect: Amendments to Ontario Charities and Not-For-Profit Laws – December 19, 2017
- LexisNexis Practice Advisor, Canada Not-For-Profit Corporations Act
- "Special Challenges of Special Act Corporations" (Canadian Bar Association, 2013) – Canadian Bar Association, Annual Charity Law Symposium
- "Dual Loyalties on Non-Profit Boards" (Canadian Bar Association, Annual Charity Law Symposium, 2011)

Recognition

- Lexpert recommended for Charities/Not-For-Profit Law – 2019.
- Chambers and Partners, recognized for Charities/Non-Profits Nationwide Canada, 2020
- Recipient of the 2012 AMS/John Hodgson Award of the Ontario Bar Association Charity & Not-for-Profit Section for excellence in the sector



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Professional Involvement

- Past Chair of the Charity & Not-for-Profit Law Section of the Ontario Bar Association, 2018-2019
- Law Society of Ontario
- Canadian Bar Association, Charities and Not-for-Profit Section (Executive)
- Canadian Tax Foundation
- Member, Ontario Nonprofit Network

Pro Bono

- Friends of the Arthur Conan Doyle Collection at the Toronto Reference Library (Chairman)
- International Churchill Society Canada (Director)
- The World Remembers 1914-1918 (Director)
- Canadian Institute for Mediterranean Studies (Director and Secretary)
- The Bootmakers of Toronto (Honorary Solicitor)
- Ontario Volunteer Service Award, 2008, for service to Toronto Public Library