



# Mark Mielke, Lawyer

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## Overview

Mark Mielke is an Alberta lawyer who works with business owners, large financial institutions, and small and mid-sized corporations to provide efficient legal solutions.

Mark respects clients as the entrepreneurs and business people who create and grow businesses essential to economic growth, innovation, and job creation in Alberta. *"It's a privilege to work for these companies, helping them create shareholder value and drive the Alberta economy."*

Mark provides excellent customer service on a broad variety of matters including:

- Mergers and acquisitions
- Public and private equity transactions
- Amalgamations and reorganizations
- Ongoing continuous disclosure
- Corporate governance
- Representation with securities commissions and stock exchanges
- Contract review
- Unanimous shareholder agreements

Mark has worked with small and mid-sized private and public issuers on securities related matters including the preparation of information circulars, continuous disclosure, general securities and corporate compliance.

## Value to Clients

Prior to attending law school, Mark completed a Master's Degree in Urban Economic Development (with Distinction) at the University College of London. Mark gained research experience performing rental market analysis for the Greater London Authority and collecting data on electrical infrastructure for the Government of Ethiopia.

This master's level study of economics and the urban economy has provided Mark with a concrete understanding of the competitive drivers of cities, property markets, and urban economic growth, which aids in understanding the business and strategy of developers, planners and construction companies. *"My master's thesis analyzed and discussed the formation of tech clusters in urban centres and the creation of markets for new technologies, which provides me with a solid foundation to provide advice to start-ups, entrepreneurs, and technology companies."*

## Industries

Finance + Banking  
 Energy + Environment  
 Northern Canada  
 Cannabis  
 Health  
 Technology

## Services

Business  
 Northern Canada  
 Securities  
 Mergers, Acquisitions + Capital Markets

## Education

Osgoode Hall Law School, 2020, Certificate in Canadian Securities Law and Practice  
 Dalhousie Law School, 2016, Juris Doctor  
 University College London, 2013, Master of Science, Urban Economic Development, With Distinction  
 University of Alberta, 2011, Bachelor of Arts, Economics

## Admissions

Alberta, 2017  
 Northwest Territories, 2018  
 Yukon, 2018

Mark worked as a law summer student in the regulation and compliance department at OMERS in Toronto, where he provided daily advice on proxy voting and corporate governance matters for Canadian and US publically traded corporations. This experience has provided Mark with a greater understanding of corporate governance issues across Canada and in the US.

While working for one of Canada's largest financial institutions, Mark provided investment advice and helped clients achieve their financial goals. *"I learned the value of providing excellent customer service to our clients, and I have continued this commitment to my clients in the practice of law."*

### Outside the Office

Mark is an avid traveler, having explored over 35 countries you can find Mark kayaking through the Amazon, exploring the temples of Bagan, training through India or cycling in Kenya.

## Recognition

Schulich Scholarship of Law , Dalhousie University: 2016

## Experience

Mark has a broad range of corporate and transactional experience, providing advice to large publically traded companies, mid-sized companies and start-ups on mergers and acquisitions, corporate governance, corporate finance and regulatory requirements. Mark has a broad range of transactional experience including:

- Assisted with the sale of a software company valued at over \$25 million
- Assisted with the sale of a renewable energy company valued at over \$1.5 million
- Assisted with the sale of a cannabis retail business valued at over \$6 million
- Assisted with share sale of an entertainment business valued over \$17 million
- Assisted with the sale of certain oil and gas assets valued at over \$16 million
- Assisted with the asset sale of a car dealership valued at over \$40 million
- Assisted with the asset purchase of a car dealership valued at over \$10 million
- Provided advice and negotiated the sale of an ecommerce business valued over \$40,000
- Acted as counsel for a \$3 million dollar private placement of securities for a cannabis producer
- Assisted with the share sale of a construction company valued over \$10 million
- Assisted with the sale of an oil field services company valued at over \$15 million
- Provided advice on the amalgamation of two aircraft industry businesses
- Assisted with the purchase of a trucking company valued at over \$6 million
- Worked as counsel for a \$2 million dollar private placement of securities for cannabis producer
- Acted as counsel for the sale of shares in an investment corporation valued at \$3 million
- Negotiated the sale of shares in an oil field services company valued at \$21 million
- Assisted with the reorganization of an oil field services companies with a total market value in excess of \$5 million
- Acted as Counsel for the purchase of a car dealership valued at over \$18 million.
- Assisted with the asset sale of a car dealership valued at over \$40 million
- Acted as counsel for the purchase of a restaurant and bar
- Acted as counsel for the borrower with respect to credit facilities totaling \$11.5 million
- Acted as counsel for the purchase of a veterinary practice

In addition to a transactional practice in Calgary, Mark maintains a northern practice focused on corporate transactions and mining law in the Northwest Territories and Yukon. Mark provides local counsel services for international financial institutions, international law firms and assists mining companies with mergers, acquisitions and navigating northern regulations. Notable northern projects include:

- Assisted with the purchase of a Northern trucking company valued at over \$2.5 million
- Assisted local counsel regarding the purchase of a gold mine in the NWT valued at over \$16 million
- Acted as local counsel for the sale of certain mineral leases and claims for a copper project in the NWT valued at over \$600,000
- Acted as counsel for the transfer of an airstrip within the Mackenzie Valley Settlement area

- Worked as local counsel for the purchase of an adventure tours company operating in the Yukon and the NWT valued at over \$600,000

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