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David Cuschieri provides deep industry perspective and creative legal acumen to clients around the world on significant energy and infrastructure transactions and projects.

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Overview

David has a long track record working with clients in their corporate and commercial work, including domestic and international energy, oil and gas, power and related infrastructure transactions. His extensive experience includes advising on acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures, partnerships and project development.

David's robust experience spans the ecosystem of energy and infrastructure transactions, including all aspects of private M&A in various other industries, working closely with both energy and infrastructure companies as well as a wide range of private and publicly traded issuers, pension funds, private equity and other institutional investors.



David is one of the most knowledgeable and sharp attorneys we know and incredibly helpful on acquisitions.

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Featured Work

Veren strategic infrastructure transaction with Pembina Gas Infrastructure

Torys acted as counsel to Veren in the C\$400 million sale of infrastructure assets in Alberta Montney to Pembina Gas Infrastructure Inc. ("PGI"), including the negotiation of a long-term services agreement, pursuant to which PGI has agreed to fund up to C\$300 million in future infrastructure development in Veren's Alberta Montney assets area

Enbridge sale of interests in Alliance Pipeline and Aux Sable

Torys acted as counsel to Enbridge in its C\$3.1 billion sale of its 50.0% interest in Alliance Pipeline and its 42.7% interest in Aux Sable to Pembina Pipeline Corporation

AltaGas in its joint venture with Royal Vopak for the phased development of the Ridley Island Energy Export Facility, a large-scale LPG and bulk liquids terminal with marine infrastructure on Ridley Island, British Columbia, including the negotiation of joint venture agreements, long-term supply and offtake agreements, dock berthing arrangements and operating and maintenance services agreements

Enbridge in its partnership arrangements with Pacific Energy Corporation Limited for the construction and operation of the C\$5.1 billion Woodfibre LNG project in southwestern British Columbia, including the acquisition of a 30% equity interest from Pacific Energy

AIMCo (Alberta Investment Management Corporation) in its acquisition of an 85% equity stake in the Northern Courier Pipeline from TC Energy Corporation

Vermilion Energy in its C\$1.4 billion acquisition of Spartan Energy Corp. by way of plan of arrangement

Triple Flag in its US\$155 million acquisition of a royalty portfolio and a US\$45 million silver streaming agreement for production from the Kemess copper mine in British Columbia from AuRico Metals Inc., a wholly-owned subsidiary of Centerra Gold Inc.

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Recognition and Awards

2018-2025	<i>Chambers Canada</i> —Leading lawyer in energy: oil and gas (transactional)
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2022-2024	<i>Chambers Global</i> —Leading lawyer in energy: oil and gas (transactional)
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2022-2025	<i>Best Lawyers in Canada</i> —Leading lawyer in oil and gas law
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2017-2023	<i>The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory</i> —Leading lawyer in energy: oil and gas
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2017	<i>Lexpert's Rising Stars: Leading Lawyers Under 40</i> —One of Canada's leading lawyers under 40
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Insights

Oil and gas dealmaking

In this wide-ranging discussion, Torys partners cover everything from recent dealmaking to a quick check-in on energy transition in the space.

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[Oil and gas: Green shoots take hold in the Canadian oil patch](#)

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[161 Torys lawyers named in the 2024 Best Lawyers guide](#)

[More than three quarters of Torys partners recognized in the 2023 Chambers Canada guide](#)

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[Torys' leading lawyers recognized at the 2021 Chambers Canada Awards and in the 2022 Chambers Canada guide](#)

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Professional Involvement

David is a member of The Association of International Petroleum Negotiators.

Education and Bar Admissions

Education

LLB, 2004

University of Alberta

Bar Admissions

Alberta, 2005