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Overview

Ian's practice focuses on competition law and foreign investment review matters. He provides advice to clients on all aspects of Canadian competition law in connection with complex mergers, acquisitions, joint ventures and strategic alliances under the *Competition Act*. In his foreign investment review practice, Ian advises clients on net benefit, cultural sector investment and national security reviews under the *Investment Canada Act*. He has represented numerous foreign investors, including state-owned enterprises, as well as domestic targets in acquisition transactions.



Ian works fast and is highly efficient and constantly produces excellent work and advice.

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Featured Work

Brookfield and its portfolio company Schoeller Allibert, as Canadian counsel, in Schoeller Allibert's merger with IPL Plastics to create IPL Schoeller, an international sustainable packaging solutions provider

Exchange Income Corporation in its proposed C\$205 million acquisition of Bradley Air Services Limited, operating as Canadian North, from Makivvik Corporation and Inuvialuit Development Corporation

Canadian Western Bank in its C\$5.3 billion sale to National Bank of Canada, one of the six largest banks in Canada

Newen Studios, as Canadian counsel, in its acquisition of a majority stake in Johnson Production Group

Viterra and its shareholders, as Canadian counsel, in its US\$34 billion merger with Bunge Limited to create a global agribusiness solutions company, a deal which won Global Competition Review's 2025 Merger Control Matter of the Year — Americas

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Recognition and Awards

2023-2025 *Chambers Canada*—Associate to Watch in competition/antitrust law

2023-2025 *Best Lawyers in Canada*—One to watch in competition/antitrust law

Insights

[Competition Bureau finalizes competitor property controls guidance](#)

[Competition Bureau finalizes greenwashing enforcement guidelines](#)

[Competition Bureau publishes draft greenwashing enforcement guidelines](#)

[Competition Tribunal turns away proposed private abuse of dominance case](#)

[Competition Bureau outlines strict approach to property controls in preliminary enforcement guidance](#)

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News

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[81% of Torys' Canadian partners ranked by Chambers Canada](#)

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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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Professional Involvement

Ian is an active member of the Canadian Bar Association, currently serving as Chair of the Mergers Committee of the Competition Law and Foreign Investment Review Section. He is also a member of the American Bar Association.

Ian is a member of the Federation of Asian Canadian Lawyers.

Education and Bar Admissions

Education

JD/MA (Economics), 2015

University of Toronto

BA (Honours), 2012

Queen's University

Bar Admissions

Ontario, 2016