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With strong financing and sector experience, Simon supports clients on their complex corporate and structured finance needs.

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Overview

Simon brings years of experience advising banks, hedge funds, institutional investors and other market participants on various debt offerings, structured and project finance transactions, and derivatives matters.

Simon also works alongside the firm's mergers and acquisitions and private equity groups on a wide range of acquisition financings.

Featured Work

Blue Hill Wind Facility

Torys acted as counsel to CIBC, MUFG Bank (Canada) and National Bank of Canada as the lenders to Blue Hill Wind Energy Project Partnership (Algonquin Power/Pomerleau) in the C\$280 million construction financing of its 175 MW Blue Hill Wind project located south of Herbert, Saskatchewan, the largest wind project in Saskatchewan to date

10 MW Hamilton Solar Farm

Torys acted as counsel to Rabobank as the lender in the C\$50 million credit facilities made available to Hamilton Solar Farm Partnership in connection with the 10 MW Hamilton Port Hope-4 ground-mount solar PV generation facility developed by Penn Energy Renewables, Ltd.

Ottawa Light Rail Transit System

Torys acted as counsel to the lenders to Rideau Transit Group (ACS Infrastructure Canada/SNC-Lavalin/EllisDon), the successful proponent for the C\$1.8 billion Ottawa Light Rail Transit PPP project to design, build, finance and maintain the first phase of a new light rail transit system in Ottawa, Ontario, a project which won *Project Finance's* 2013 North American PPP Deal of the Year Award

Fairstone Bank in Classic RMBS Trust's C\$425 million private placement of 3.777% Class A mortgage pass-through notes, Series 2026-1

IFM Investors and Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan in their C\$2.8 billion acquisition of the Canadian district energy operations of Enwave Energy Corporation from Brookfield Infrastructure Partners L.P.

Altas Partners in its acquisition of NSC Minerals Inc., a road salt business with operations throughout Western Canada

Scotia Capital and National Bank Financial, as the agents, in Enwave Energy Corp.'s C\$120 million private placement of 4.689% senior secured notes and Scotiabank, as the lender, in Enwave Energy Corp.'s C\$20 million credit facility and the negotiation of a three-way intercreditor agreement

Mizuho Corporate Bank, Bank of Tokyo-Mitsubishi UFJ and Union Bank as the lead lenders in the C\$700 million financing of the 270 MW South Kent Wind Farm in southwestern Ontario developed by Pattern Energy Group LP and Samsung Renewable Energy, Inc.

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Recognition and Awards

2024-2027 *Best Lawyers in Canada*—Leading lawyer in banking and finance law and structure finance law

2021 *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*—Leading lawyer in derivative instruments

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Learn what makes up interest rates and how they impact business and the wider economy.

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2025 Canadian loan trends

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Canada's first derivatives business conduct rule coming into force

CDOR transition accelerated to November 1 for new-money loans and material amendments to existing loans

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Education and Bar Admissions

Education

LLB, 2004

University of Ottawa

BSc (Honours, Life Sciences), 2001

Queen's University

Bar Admissions

Ontario, 2005

New York, 2008