

# Ross Francis

## Counsel

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Ross came to Fogler, Rubinoff LLP in October of 1995 following a successful career in the Canadian Football League.

Followed by approximately nine years of practice comprised of a combination of private practice with a large national firm and as in-house counsel and corporate secretary of a publicly-traded international real estate development and management company. As a senior member of our Business Law Department, Ross' broad experience allows him to tackle a wide variety of corporate and commercial matters. In addition, Ross has vast experience in dealing with contested shareholder meetings, which allows him, at times, to combine his legal and football skills.

Ross also applies his strong commercial law background to assist a number of First Nations across Canada in a wide variety of commercial transactions, primarily in the area of renewable energy projects. Ross has been involved in the negotiation of capacity funding agreements, community benefit agreements and the structuring and negotiation of the terms upon which the First Nations participate in energy projects. Ross has also negotiated land lease terms with the provincial government on behalf of a particular First Nation.

## PRACTICE AREAS

**Banking and Financial Services**

**Business Succession Planning**

**Corporate Commercial**

**Corporate Governance**

**Equity and Debt Finance**

**Indigenous**

**Insolvency and Restructuring**

**Mergers and Acquisitions**

**Insolvency Asset Acquisition and Divestiture**

**Corporate Reorganizations and Transactions**

**Creditor's and Debtor's Rights**

## Education & Memberships

### EDUCATION

**Osgoode Hall Law School, Bachelor of Laws, 1986**

**Queen's University School of Business, Masters of Business Administration, 1981**

**Queen's University, Bachelor of Arts, 1979**

### MEMBERSHIPS

**Law Society of Ontario**

**Canadian Bar Association**

## Speaking Engagements & Publications

**Speaker, Ontario First Nation Economic Forum**

*Workshop: Legal and Tax Immunity, October 13, 2016*

**Private Equity**

**Public Company Maintenance and  
Compliance**

**INDUSTRY GROUPS**

**Mining and Minerals**

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