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Bar Admission: Alberta, 2006

Areas of Expertise

- Major Projects
- Private Equity
- Energy
- Mining and Natural Resources
- Infrastructure
- Corporate Governance
- Mergers and Acquisitions

George is a leading energy transactions lawyer with more than two decades of experience advising clients on private M&A, joint ventures, and project development across Canada’s energy sector. He is widely recognized for his counsel on complex commercial arrangements, asset acquisitions and divestitures, and infrastructure development.

George represents upstream producers, midstream operators, project developers and energy investors in structuring and negotiating transactions across the energy sector value chain, including conventional and unconventional oil and gas development, midstream and downstream facilities, LNG, carbon capture, energy transition, renewables and emerging energy technologies. His work spans the full lifecycle of energy projects — from early-stage development and permitting to construction, financing and exit.

George is recognized in a variety of respected ranking publications, including by *Chambers Canada* in the area of Energy, Oil and Gas (Transactional). He was also recognized by *Best Lawyers* as “Lawyer of the Year” (2022), as one of Canada’s leading lawyers in the areas of energy law and oil and gas law.

Awards and Recognition

- Named “Lawyer of the Year” by *Best Lawyers* for Oil and Gas Law, Calgary (2022)
- Lexpert’s Leading 500 Cross-Border Lawyers:** Recognized in Oil and Gas

- **Chambers Canada:** Energy: Recognized in Oil and Gas (Transactional)
 - **The Legal 500 Canada:** Recognized in Energy and Natural Resources: Oil and Gas
 - **The Best Lawyers in Canada:** Recognized in Energy Law; Oil and Gas Law; Natural Resources Law
 - **The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory:** Recognized in Energy: Oil & Gas
 - **Lexpert Special Edition – Canada’s Leading Lawyers:** Recognized in Energy; Corporate; Infrastructure
 - **Thomson Reuters Stand-out Lawyer:** Independently rated lawyer (formerly Acritas)
 - **Who’s Who Legal:** Recognized in Energy
 - **Who’s Who Legal Canada:** Recognized in Energy
 - **IFLR 1000: The Guide to the World’s Leading Financial Law Firms:** Recognized in Project Development
 - **Lexpert Rising Stars:** Leading Lawyers under 40 (2013)
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Community Involvement

Member of board of directors for the Canadian Energy Law Foundation (CELF) whose purpose is to help foster understanding of the law relating to the energy industry by providing opportunities for energy practitioners to meet and exchange ideas. Also have an active role in the planning and execution of several CELF annual seminars in Jasper and the organization’s Energy Law Fundamentals Seminar for more junior energy practitioners.

Active participant in the planning and execution of the ABA negotiation competitions held annually for law students at several Canadian universities.

Credentials

Education

- University of Saskatchewan, LLB
 - University of Saskatchewan, B. Comm (with Distinction)
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Languages

- English
 - French
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Professional Affiliations

- Law Society of Alberta
- Canadian Bar Association
- Calgary Bar Association