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Language(s) spoken: English

Bar Admission(s): New Brunswick, 2011

Legal Assistant(s): [Donna-Lee Kirkpatrick](#)

Joel has experience working as in-house counsel on the strategic aspects of business transactions, which allowed him to gain perspective of matters that go beyond purely legal considerations. He has considerable experience in cross-border mergers and acquisitions work and financings, as well as business agreements generally, and works with clients such as aquaculture, seafood processing and distribution, and trucking. Joel has:

- Acted for True North Seafood, Inc. in its acquisition of the business of Mariner Seafood, LLC.
- Acted for Cooke Inc. in its acquisitions of the Seajoy Seafood Corporation and Farallon Aquaculture de Nicaragua S.A. groups, together constituting one of the largest vertically integrated, premium shrimp farms in Latin America.
- Acted for The Fish Company, Inc. in its acquisition of the business of All Seas Wholesale, Inc.
- Acted for Cooke Omega Investments Inc. in its US\$500 million acquisition of Omega Protein Corporation and subsidiaries.
- Acted for Cooke Inc. in its acquisition of the assets of Fripor S.A.
- Acted for ISInvestCo, Inc. in its acquisition of Icicle Seafoods, Inc. and related financing.
- Acted for Cooke Seafood USA, Inc. in its acquisition of the Wanchese Fish Company, Inc. group and related financing.

Practice Areas

Banking & Financing

Commercial Transactions/Agreements

Corporate Formation/Reorganization

Mergers & Acquisitions

Tax

Education & Career

Education

CPA Canada In-Depth Tax Course, 2015

University of Cambridge, LLM, Commercial Law, 1st Class Honours, 2010

University of New Brunswick, LLB, graduated with distinction, 2009

University of New Brunswick, BA, 2006

Activities

Board of Directors, Liberal Party of Canada – National, November 2015 – present

President, New Brunswick Liberal Association, November 2015 – January 2021

Director and vice chair, FUSION Saint John, 2013 – 2017

Director, New Brunswick International Sculpture Symposium Inc., September 2011 – December 2015

Member, Canadian Bar Association

Member, American Bar Association

Accolades

Senior Seton Scholar in Law – Downing College, Cambridge

Beaverbrook Scholarship in Law

Harry K Scott Scholarship