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Biography

Darcy L. Wray, a senior counsel with a background in both Economics (B.A. 1987) and Law (LL.B. 1989), possesses a wealth of experience in corporate mergers, acquisitions, and reorganizations. He has a track record of success in executing purchases and sales of business enterprises, both as asset and share transactions.

As a trusted advisor to entrepreneurs, Darcy offers sound business counsel, particularly in the areas of corporate structuring, corporate reorganizations (amalgamations, continuations, dissolutions and tax motivated transactions) and corporate governance. He is proficient in drafting shareholder agreements and structuring partnerships to meet the unique needs of his clients.

In addition to his expertise in corporate matters, Darcy also provides counsel on the creation and utilization of trusts, both inter-vivos and testamentary, and on a variety of commercial transactions, including commodity sales contracts, supply agreements, and technology license agreements. He has extensive experience in lending and financing transactions, secured lending, venture capital investments, commercial leasing, and employee matters.

Darcy approaches his practice with a focus on delivering win-win solutions and finding creative alternatives to address his clients' needs. He takes a goal-oriented approach, first identifying his clients' objectives and then working diligently to help them achieve those goals. If you seek a seasoned professional who can provide reliable counsel and guide your business to success, Darcy L. Wray is the ideal choice.

Darcy L. Wray is a seasoned counsel with over three decades of experience in corporate law and business advising. He possesses a unique combination of expertise in Economics and Law, making him a highly sought-after advisor to entrepreneurs and corporations.

Corporate Mergers, Acquisitions, and Reorganizations

Key Services: purchases and sales of business enterprises (asset and share acquisitions and dispositions), corporate structuring, corporate reorganizations (amalgamations, continuations, dissolutions, tax-motivated transactions), corporate governance, negotiating shareholder disputes, drafting shareholder agreements, structuring partnerships.

RELATED SERVICES

Corporate

Mergers & Acquisitions

Business Advice to Entrepreneurs

Key Services: business advice, corporate structuring, corporate reorganizations, corporate governance, negotiating shareholder disputes, drafting shareholder agreements, structuring partnerships, commercial transactions (commodity sales contracts, supply agreements, distribution agreements, banking agreements, technology license agreements), lending and financing transactions (corporate and personal), secured lending transactions, venture capital investments, commercial leasing, employee matters.

Trusts and Commercial Transactions

Key Services: creation and use of trusts (inter-vivos and testamentary), commercial transactions (commodity sales contracts, supply agreements, distribution agreements, banking agreements, technology license agreements), lending and financing transactions (corporate and personal), secured lending transactions, venture capital investments, commercial leasing, employee matters.

Darcy has been an instructor with the professional legal training course for the Law Society of British Columbia for over 10 years, teaching the "Buying and Selling a Business" section.

Thought leadership

Darcy has spoken at many seminars and professional events on various topics, including buying and selling businesses, effective use of trusts in both commercial structuring and estate planning and corporate reorganizations.

Community involvement

Darcy L. Wray has a strong commitment to community engagement and has demonstrated this through his involvement with the Vancouver Police Foundation. He has served as a Member of the Board of Trustees for over 10 years and held the role of Chair of the Board of Trustees for 2 years. During this time, he provided legal support to the Vancouver Police Foundation and acted as Secretary to the Board of Trustees and numerous executive committees. In his role as Chair, he oversaw all aspects of the operations of the Vancouver Police Foundation and worked to foster partnerships with the public to enhance the Vancouver Police Department's capacity to save lives, prevent crime, and build safer communities. Darcy's efforts and dedication to the Vancouver Police Foundation demonstrate his commitment to making a positive impact on the community. Additionally, he has been a member of the Entrepreneurs Organization since 2001 and served as the Finance Chair for the almost two years during such time.

Corporate directorships

- Member, Board of Trustees, Vancouver Police Foundation, 2012 - Present
- Member, Board of Directors, Fidelity Design House Ltd. (jeans manufacturer, manufacturing and supplying high end designer jeans) 2015 - 2020, 2022 - Present
- Member, Board of Directors, FHC Holdings Ltd. (Field Discount Retail Stores), 2012 - 2015

Professional memberships

- Member, British Columbia Bar Association
- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, Entrepreneurs Organization (EO)

- Member, Law Society of British Columbia

Bar admissions & education

- British Columbia, 1991
- LL.B, University of Victoria, 1989
- B.A Economics, University of Alberta, 1987