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Language(s) spoken: English

Bar Admission(s): Nova Scotia, 2007

Legal Assistant(s): [Jacquelyn Walters](#)

Providing legal services through a professional corporation.

Business-minded and solution-focused.

A calming voice during a business negotiation can be difficult to find. Sadira provides that to her clients in their time of need. With a thorough understanding of business principals, Sadira understands the practical issues her clients are facing and helps them develop a feasible solution that also provides legal protection.

While Sadira's practice focuses on banking and financing transactions, you'll also find she provides sound advice the areas of mergers and acquisitions and general corporate/contractual work. She has extensive experience in negotiating, leveraged finance, project finance and asset based lending transactions for both borrowers and lenders. She negotiates bilateral and syndicated credit facilities and debt offerings ranging in size from the hundreds of thousands to the billions. She also works on commercial transactions: from an acquisition or a divesture to creative structuring of private corporations, partnership or franchise transactions, she can provide sound and practical advice from the preliminary establishment of the business relationship through to the negotiating, drafting and closing of the deal.

One of the region's leading practitioners in the area of renewable energy, including wide-ranging expertise in wind, hydrogen, tidal and solar energy. Sadira has represented clients from the beginning stages of a project to its eventual de-commissioning since the beginning of the industry in Atlantic Canada. Her focus on, and understanding of, this industry and its complex regulatory and compliance regimes makes her well positioned to provide sound and strategic advice to Canada's next generation of renewable energy projects: from offshore wind to residential and commercial retro fit programs and property assessed financing.

In the fisheries, another uniquely regulated industry, she has a depth of knowledge of the unique aspects of the topic and the interaction between the regulators, the commercial fishery and other significant stakeholders such as Indigenous Peoples in Canada which she teaches to the next generation at Dalhousie University. She's considered a leading expert in Canada by her peers.

Practice Areas

Banking & Financing
Commercial Transactions/Agreements
Corporate Formation/Reorganization
Education
Energy
Maritime & Transportation

Education & Career

Education

Dalhousie University, LL.B., 2006
Dalhousie University, B.Sc., 2000

Activities

Member, Nova Scotia Barristers' Society
Member, Board of Governors, Art Gallery of Nova Scotia
Member, Executive Committee, Art Gallery of Nova Scotia
Member, Board of Directors, Prescott Group
Lecturer, Fisheries Law, Dalhousie University, 2016 – present
Member, Canadian Renewable Energy Association (CanREA), 2023

Accolades

Best Lawyers: Banking and Finance Law “Lawyer of the Year” Halifax, 2023, 2025
Lexpert rating: Energy (Electricity), 2022
Best Lawyers: Asset-Based Lending Practice, 2025
Best Lawyers: Energy Law, 2025
Best Lawyers: Banking and Finance Law, 2021 – 2025
Best Lawyers: Project Finance Law, 2021 – 2025

Thought Leadership

Greener light for growth – Province provides further clarity on renewable energy future in Nova Scotia
[October 24, 2024](#)

Bill C-49 is blowin' a gale: A significant step in offshore renewable energy legislation
[October 22, 2024](#)

Canada's investment in hydrogen has substantial implications for the Atlantic Canadian wind power sector

August 06, 2024

New announcements in the Canada-Nova Scotia partnership for the clean energy future

August 01, 2024

Clean sweep: Federal Government tables legislation for Clean Technology Investment Tax Credit

December 15, 2023

Nova Scotia releases offshore wind roadmap

June 21, 2023

Federal Government introduces amendments to expand the mandates of the two historic Atlantic Accord Acts to include offshore wind energy

June 01, 2023

Nova Scotia setting legislative framework for green hydrogen

October 24, 2022

Federal Government, Nova Scotia, and Newfoundland and Labrador clearing the way for offshore wind development

September 29, 2022

The Winds of Change (Part 4): A Review of Rental and Royalty Regimes for Wind Development on Crown Lands: Options for Newfoundland and Labrador's Economic Wind Policy

August 03, 2022

The winds of change (part 2): Crown Land

July 21, 2022

Closing Folders: Supporting business continuity during COVID-19

April 07, 2020

Client Update: The Cannabis Act – Getting into the Weeds

May 09, 2017

Publications

What's in a name? New trademark legislation to impact branding, Discovery: Atlantic Education and the Law

November 18, 2019