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The corporate group at Farris combines tremendous skill and depth of talent with an uncompromising commitment to serving the interests of our clients.

Whether you are facing a “bet the company” decision or more of a daily operations challenge, our corporate lawyers act as key business advisors providing timely, practical and strategic advice across a wide range of matters. Working in one of our largest practice groups, our lawyers are first trained as generalists before they specialize in any given area of business law—unique among most large law firms. We believe a broad legal knowledge of the key business law issues affecting businesses and industries enables us to help our clients solve their legal problems—big or small—quickly and effectively.

Our clients rely upon our advice regarding capital raising, finance strategies, governance issues, succession planning, insourcing and outsourcing. Our lawyers assist with contract drafting and negotiations, securing regulatory approvals, agreements for joint ventures, and acquiring or selling aspects of a business. Specialists are available to advise on labour and employment matters, such as executive compensation, or intellectual property issues, such as trade secret protection and confidentiality agreements.

We help our clients navigate corporate finance and securities transactions in this shifting legal landscape by providing innovative, practical advice. Whether acting for issuers, underwriters, or other stakeholders, Farris lawyers take a business-minded approach to help our clients meet their strategic goals. We advise clients on all aspects of corporate finance and securities transactions, including initial public offerings, private placements, structured and hybrid financings, debt securities, bond issues, mergers and acquisitions, take-overs, and capital reorganizations and restructurings. Our lawyers assist clients with securities regulatory and compliance matters, including registration, reporting and disclosure obligations under securities legislation. We provide representation during investigations and enforcement hearings before provincial securities commissions and the Investment Industry Regulatory Organization of Canada.

Our clients range from established corporations, investment banks, real estate investment trusts (REITs), and institutional investors to entrepreneurs, emerging public companies and mid-market corporations. They operate in a broad range of industries including mining, energy, manufacturing, infrastructure, technology, life sciences, financial services, real estate, and insurance as well as food, beverage, and agribusiness.

The key to our success is providing creative, business-minded solutions to our clients, whether they are sophisticated multi-national companies, large family-owned businesses or emerging companies. Understanding our clients’ businesses and the industries within which they operate is critical to what we do.

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