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Lorne graduated from the University of Manitoba in 1974 with a Bachelor of Arts in Political Studies and obtained his law degree from Osgoode Hall Law School in 1977. He was called to the Ontario bar in 1979.

Lorne strives to get to know his clients' businesses, enabling him to take big picture client issues into consideration and provide prompt, practical and creative advice to obtain the most effective solutions available.

In addition to acting for clients in leasing, mortgage refinancing and the purchase and sale of apartment buildings, plazas and commercial property. Lorne spends much of his time working in condominium development issues and co-ordinating the mass sales of condominium units.

In recent transactions, Lorne has acted with respect to:

- The acquisition, redevelopment, refinancing and registration of condominium status for standard and common elements condominiums and industrial/commercial condominiums throughout Southern Ontario.
- The sale of Canada's second largest trailer park portfolio to a subsidiary of a U.S. REIT
- The financing of the acquisition of 28 acres of environmentally contaminated land in downtown Toronto for a large scale redevelopment
- The acquisition by a sovereign wealth fund of equity in a Canadian solar energy company
- The purchase from 17 vendors of all of the shares of a major Canadian customs broker
- The sale of shares of a large nursing services corporation
- The conversion of three adjoining apartment buildings in central Toronto to condominium status
- The conversion of older multi-unit industrial buildings to condominium status
- The sale of a \$50 million apartment portfolio
- The institutional financing of large condominium sites and environmentally sensitive properties in Downtown Toronto

Lorne is a member of the Law Society of Ontario and a former member of the executive of the Real Estate Section of the Canadian Bar Association (Ontario).

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