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With a dedication to my clients' success, I leverage my extensive experience, encourage collaboration, and apply comprehensive legal knowledge to support them in reaching their objectives.

Biography

With over 45 years of experience in the legal realm, Daniel specializes in business transactions such as merger and acquisition transactions, financing, corporate law, energy law (electricity), mining law, and infrastructure. He also offers international advisory services.

In his international practice, Daniel Bénay has played a pivotal role as a counsel in the development and implementation of hydroelectric projects in Madagascar, bank restructuring, and securities legislation in Cameroon, reform of security law in Vietnam, Cambodia, El Salvador, and Morocco, as well as the execution of privatization projects in Haiti.

Areas of practice

- Commercial and corporate law
- Energy (Power)
- Mining and infrastructure
- Corporate financing
- Public and private mergers and acquisitions
- Public-private partnerships

Experience in private practice

Daniel has practiced in a number of major law firms, including as a partner in the business law group of a national law firm for over 30 years.

Significant mandates

- Advising an insurance company in its acquisition of an insurance portfolio.

- Advising national financial institutions in connection with their external financing requirements by increasing their capital.
- Advising national financial institutions in connection with their regulatory regime.
- Advising the Government of Madagascar on the development and implementation of hydroelectric power generation facilities and related infrastructures.
- Advising a consortium initially consisting of a public entity and mining companies in their joint-venture to conduct a feasibility study for the development of multi-user rail network between port facilities to their respective mining sites in Québec.
- Advising a national passenger transporter in connection with the procurement of a new rolling stock fleet and other related equipment.

Education

- LL. M., Graduate studies in business law, University of Ottawa | 1980
- J.D., University of Ottawa | 1980
- LL. L., University of Montreal | 1976
- Certificate in comparative law, University of Manitoba and University of Ottawa | 1975

Recognition

Daniel Bénay was profiled in the *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*, a guide to the leading law firms and practitioners in Canada, as a leader in the area of Energy (Electricity) and he was rated by the *Martindale-Hubbell* Directory for the same area of expertise. He also appeared as leading lawyer in natural resources law in the *Best Lawyers in Canada* directory, and was recognized as a leading lawyer in energy in the special edition of *Canada's Leading Energy Lawyers* by Lexpert published in 2014.

Conferences and publications

Throughout his practice, Daniel has presented numerous conferences and published articles on various business and corporate law topics.