

Seeking a Real Estate/Corporate Lawyer

The Acacia Group is seeking a real estate/corporate lawyer to join our growing team of Christian lawyers.

Why join our team?

The Acacia Group was founded in January 2021 by a team of lawyers with extensive and high-profile experience in a range of religious freedom work: Albertos Polizogopoulos, Faye Sonier, and John Sikkema. Veteran media expert Peter Stockland supports our clients with advice for strategic and crisis communications, and media relations.

Well known for its experience in *Charter* litigation, The Acacia Group offers a variety of services to its boutique clientele of churches, denominational associations, charities, non-profits, and religious institutions. The firm also provides a range of legal services to the wider public.

The position we are seeking to fill provides the right person with the opportunity to join an exciting and unique firm on the ground floor to help to build presence and reach.

Summary of position:

The ideal candidate will have a minimum 3 years' experience in real estate, corporate, and commercial law. Experience in wills and estate law is considered an asset.

While the firm will provide access to its current client base of churches, charities, and other faith-based institutions including universities, hospitals, and private schools, we are providing this opportunity for an individual desiring to expand an existing practice to join our team, or a motivated and ambitious individual the opportunity to build a practice within The Acacia Group.

The Acacia Group is located in Ottawa. Preference will be given to Ottawa residents, however we have flexibility to offer the position to a lawyer in another part of Ontario.

Required Qualifications:

- 3 or more years of experience practicing real estate law in Ontario;
- 3 or more years of experience practicing corporate and commercial law in Ontario;
- Excellent technical skills, including the ability to independently review title searches and financing packages, and experience drafting and reviewing long form Agreements of Purchase and Sale;
- Working knowledge of Teraview and Conveyancer;
- Experience in a variety of corporate and commercial transactions, including: Sale and purchase of businesses; business asset purchase and sale transactions, business share purchase and sale transactions; purchase of commercial properties, implementing share re-organizations, drafting and negotiating shareholders' agreements and commercial contracts, divestitures, amalgamations, and corporate re-organizations; and
- Must be a member of the Ontario Bar in good standing with the Law Society of Ontario.

Other Preferred Qualifications:

- Excellent knowledge and understanding of wills and estates law and procedures; and
- Experience with and a passion to serve the church and charitable sector.

We appreciate that a strong candidate may not qualify under the listed years of experience. If you have a different level of experience, we still want to hear from you.

Please send a copy of your résumé in confidence to Faye Sonier, Managing Director: faye@acaciagroup.ca. We thank all applicants for their interest in this position; however, only applicants selected for an interview will be contacted.