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Keith acts for and has advised on significant matters including:

- the British Columbia forest industry through the BC Lumber Trade Council on the Canada/U.S. softwood lumber dispute and related trade disputes;
- the Government of Canada through Canada Harbour Place Corporation in the development and structuring of the Canada Place development;
- Southam Inc. through its division Pacific Press on the sale of its offices and plants of The Vancouver Sun and The Province and the acquisition of new office and plant facilities;
- the Government of British Columbia through BC Enterprise Corporation in the disposition of the “Expo Lands” to the Li Kai Shing Group;
- Westcoast Energy Inc. on the sale and lease back of its head office site and the acquisition of its new head office premises;
- the Taubman Company on its consideration of developing a major multi-use retail/office/residential/hotel complex in downtown Vancouver;
- BC Hydro and Power Authority in the reorganization of its head office properties including the disposition of its former head office site and the acquisition and development of new head office sites at Dunsmuir Place in Vancouver and Edmonds Centre in Burnaby; and more recently BC Hydro and Power Authority on its California Power issues;
- various major public and private employers including the University of British Columbia, Southam Inc., Four Seasons Hotel, Hollinger Canadian Newspapers on employment and labour relations matters;
- the Government of Canada through the Central Mortgage and Housing Corporation in the creation and development of the Granville Island Project;
- significant international trade law matters, advising on matters including advice relating to the Canada/U.S. Free Trade Agreement, the North American Free Trade Agreement and the World Trade Organization;
- significant property rezoning in the Lower Mainland of British Columbia;
- the Canadian Tomato Trade Alliance in respect of anti-dumping actions commenced in the U.S. and has acted in respect of Canadian petitioner interests in an anti-dumping petition commenced in Canada against U.S. producers;
- Cambridge Western Shopping Centres on the rezoning necessary for the creation of the Burnaby Metrotown development;
- expropriations for various clients including BC Transit, BC Hydro, the City of Burnaby, the Ontario Pension Board and owners of Brentwood and Lougheed regional shopping centres, and
- for Pacific Press, a division of Southam Inc. in the consolidation of six trade unions into one industrial union in all of the Pacific Press operations in the publishing of The Vancouver Sun and The Province. This is the first time such an application had been successfully prosecuted for a major Canadian newspaper.