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Education

J.D., Harvard Law School, 2003

B.S., University of California,
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Bar Admissions

Solicitor, England & Wales
New York
California

Experience

Law Clerk, Hon. Sarah Vance, U.S.
District Court for the Eastern District
of Louisiana (2003-2004)

Lisa Giroux concentrates on mergers and acquisitions, with special emphasis on international and cross-border transactions. Ms. Giroux has advised numerous public and private clients on domestic and international transactions throughout Russia, Europe and the United States. She has many years of experience working in a number of Skadden's global offices, including London, Moscow and New York.

Ms. Giroux's transactional experience includes representing:

- a Russian investor in its multimillion-dollar acquisition of Cinema Park, a leading movie theater operator in Russia, from Interros, a Russian investment company;
- United Capital Partners Group on the US\$1.47 billion sale of a 48.01 percent stake in VK.Com Limited (the holding company of Vkontakte.ru, Russia's largest social online networking service) to Mail.Ru Group Limited;
- Efkarpos Enterprises Limited (Cyprus) in its US\$1.7 billion sale of OJSC TD Kopeyka (Russia) to X5 Retail Group N.V. (the Netherlands). All parties are owners and operators of grocery stores;
- Orient Express Bank in connection with the sale by certain shareholders of up to a 29.9 percent stake to Baring Vostok Capital Partners, a private equity firm. Both parties are based in Russia;
- Nafta Moskva, a Russian investment group, in connection with a multibillion-dollar acquisition of a significant stake in OJSC Uralkali, a major global producer of potash located in Russia with GDRs listed on the London Stock Exchange. The acquisition involved complex put and call arrangements. The acquisition was financed by VTB Capital plc, a London-based investment arm of Russia's leading state controlled bank VTB;
- the owners of the Paterson supermarket chain in its sale to X5 Retail Group for US\$189.5 million in cash and the assumption of US\$85 million in debt;
- Svoboda Corporation, a continuing shareholder in Lenta Ltd., a supermarket operator, in connection with the acquisition by TPG and VTB Capital of a 35 percent stake in Lenta, and the new shareholders' arrangements to govern the management of Lenta and regulate the relationship between them;
- Fresenius SE in its US\$5.6 billion acquisition of APP Pharmaceuticals Inc.;
- Basell Polyolefins in its US\$22.2 billion acquisition of Lyondell Chemical Company;
- Samsonite in its US\$1.7 billion sale to CVC Capital;
- Icelandic Water Holdings (IWH), producer of Icelandic Glacial premium bottled water, in a distribution agreement with Anheuser-Busch, through which Anheuser-Busch acquired an equity stake in IWH;
- three individual shareholders of JSC Trade House KOPEYKA, an operator of supermarkets and a retailer of consumer goods, in the sale of a remaining 50 percent stake to URALSIB Financial Corporation in a going-private transaction;

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- New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX) in its US\$330 million acquisition of the electronic trading rights of Commodity Exchange, Inc. (COMEX);
 - Citigroup Inc. in the sale of The Travelers Insurance Company, The Travelers Life and Annuity Company and substantially all of Citigroup's international insurance businesses to MetLife, Inc. for US\$11.5 billion; and

- Centro Properties Group, an Australia-based retail property investment and services organization, in its US\$1.3 billion acquisition of Kramont Realty Trust.

Ms. Giroux also has represented investment banking clients in transactional and financial advisory work. She was selected for inclusion in *Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business 2015*.