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Expertise

- Business
- International Trade

Biography

Orlando Silva is a partner in the International Trade Group at Cassels. Orlando's practice focuses on the areas of international trade and regulatory matters, including economic sanctions, international arbitration, anti-dumping and countervail, foreign corruption matters, customs and tariff issues, import and export controls, and WTO and USMCA matters.

Prior to joining Cassels, Orlando worked in-house as a Senior Director and Trade Compliance Officer at a leading Canadian technology company that specialized in secure communications, mobile productivity, and intelligent security software and services. In this position, Orlando developed specialized expertise in economic sanctions, export controls and customs matters relating to the export of cutting-edge hardware, software and technology.

Before moving in-house, Orlando served as a partner in the International Trade Law and Investment Group at another national law firm. During his time at the firm, Orlando was recognized as a leading practitioner in Legal Media Group's *Expert Guide to the World's Leading International Trade Lawyers* and as a leader in his field by *Chambers Global*, where clients described him as "friendly and really on the ball, careful with detail and good at pinpointing the important information."

Orlando regularly speaks at conferences and seminars on matters related to trade, economic sanctions and export controls. He has appeared as counsel and represented clients before the Canada Border Services Agency, the Canadian International Trade Tribunal (CITT) and the Federal Court. He is also a past chair of the OBA International Law Section.

Recent Representative Work

- Trivest Partners Acquires Door Doctor

Insights

- 'Liberation Day' Reciprocal Tariffs Announced April 2, 2025

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- Effective March 12, 2025: 25% Tariff on Steel and Aluminum Imports into the United States from All Countries – Canada’s Response Effective March 13
- Another Temporary Reprieve: No Tariffs on USMCA-Compliant Goods Until April 2, 2025

Education / Bar Admissions

- LL.B., University of Toronto, 1999
- B.Com. (International Business) (Hons.), University of British Columbia, 1994

- Ontario, 2001