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Michael leads complex deal teams in the energy, technology and AI, psychedelics and life sciences industries. Whether a startup or large-cap business, Michael develops close and trusting business relationships with his clients and is passionate to provide high-value and timely support.

Michael co-founded BLG's psychedelics and cannabis focus group and is a member of its steering committee. Michael is also a member of BLG's M&A steering committee and its Medtech steering committee.

Michael is a board member, committee chair and co-founder of a variety of successful businesses in the life sciences industry. Michael is motivated to support his community and serves as a board member of the CUPS Calgary Society, based in Calgary, Alberta.

Michael received his law degree from the University of Alberta. Prior to attending law school, Michael obtained a Bachelor of Commerce degree (Finance) with distinction from the Haskayne School of Business. He has worked in BLG's securities and [capital markets group](#) for 15 years.

Experience

- META Growth Corp. in its \$10MM financing and \$80MM merger with High Tide Inc. in 2020
- Energy services company in its \$21MM M&A acquisition in 2020

- Sansero Life Sciences Inc. in its merger with CannaGlobal Canada Co Inc., and private placement financing, in 2020
- ResolvMD Inc. in respect of its convertible debenture financing, common share financing and medical software company acquisition in 2020
- Energy services company in its \$33MM debt financing in 2020
- Psygen Labs Inc. in its private placements and \$9MM merger to become Psygen Industries Ltd. in 2020
- LaSanta Botanicals Ltd. in its private equity financing in 2020
- Token Naturals Ltd. in its private placement financings in 2020
- Habitat Life Sciences Inc. in its convertible debenture financing in 2020

Insights & Events

- Author, "CSE Creates a Senior Tier", BLG Article, May 2023
- Author, "Reopening the doors of perception: The psychedelics renaissance in Canada", BLG Article, July 2020
- Author, "The Fall of the Green Wall: Legalizing Cannabis in Canada", BLG Article, April 2017
- Author, "Alberta Investor Tax Credit opens for business", BLG Article, January 2017
- Author, "ACMPR: Same as it Ever Was — With More Options for Patients and Licensed Producers", BLG Article, August 2016

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member, Canadian Bar Association
- Member, Calgary Bar Association
- Board member, CUPS

Community Involvement

- Volunteer, BLG Reads to Kids Program
- Member, BLG's Student Committee
- Board Member and advisor to various companies and NPOs in Alberta

Bar Admission & Education

- Alberta, 2009
- LLB, University of Alberta, 2008
- BComm, University of Calgary, 2005



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