

# Our Canada Practice

Mayer Brown is one of the most active global law firms representing Canadian companies, investment banks, pension plans and private equity funds on transactions in the United States, Asia and Europe.

Our lawyers assist Canadian financial institutions and corporations with US and international matters outside of Canada in a number of areas, including mergers and acquisitions, private equity, capital markets, bank finance and tax.

**Our work with Canadian companies is concentrated in the following areas:**

## Capital Markets

Our capital markets and financial services lawyers work with a number of Canadian banks on their financing transactions, assisting the banks with their offerings of debt securities, covered bonds, bank notes, structured products, commercial paper and other instruments into US and European markets. We also advise the banks on securities disclosure and compliance matters related to these offerings and to their investment and commercial banking activities in the US and Europe.

## Covered Bonds

Mayer Brown is a leader in covered bond offerings. Our knowledge of bank regulatory issues, financial institutions and financing techniques makes us the first call by market participants for US covered bond issuances.

## Derivatives & Structured Products

Our US and European lawyers work with Canadian banks on their offerings of structured products into the US and European markets. Our broad practice also covers rates, *f/x*, equity derivatives, credit derivatives, commodities, and crypto—the full range of asset classes.

## Securitization

Mayer Brown is one of the world's leading law firms for securitization and one of only a handful that have securitized virtually every asset type that can be securitized. We offer experienced teams across a broad range of vehicles and asset classes in Canada. The combination of the breadth of our client base, the volume of transactions we handle, our extensive representation of, and service as officers of, securitization trade associations, and our extensive daily communication with regulators generates a unique depth of institutional and market knowledge.

## Our work with Canadian companies is concentrated in the following areas (cont.):

### Banking & Finance

Advising the world's financial services industry on complex matters is Mayer Brown's signature strength. We serve more than half of the world's largest banks and our strength is based on our global platform and our balanced and integrated practice, which encompasses cross-border acquisition finance to real estate, project finance, as well as high-stakes litigation.

### M&A

Our M&A practice is among the largest and most sophisticated in the world, with extensive experience advising clients in Canada on a variety of complex, cross-border and high-profile strategic transactions.

### Regulatory

We represent banks as derivatives dealers and assist with their compliance with US regulation, European Market Infrastructure Regulation (EMIR) and the Markets in Financial Instruments Directive (MiFID) in Europe, as well as with derivatives transactional matters. Our financial services colleagues also help banks address compliance with the Dodd-Frank Act, including the Volcker Rule, the intermediate holding company requirement and similar matters.

### Tax

Our practice covers every aspect of corporate, partnership and individual taxation, advising clients in Canada, the US and Europe on taxation of domestic and cross-border issues at the national, state and local tax level. We cover nearly every type of business transaction and restructuring, and we are internationally recognized as a leader in the field.

### Cybersecurity & Data Privacy

We address the full range of legal, business and reputational risks posed by cyber threats and data privacy obligations and assist with incident preparation and breach response, litigation, strategic counseling and corporate governance, vendor and supply chain management, contracting, data transfers, regulatory and compliance matters, and policy/advocacy matters.

### ESG

Our lawyers are experienced and well-equipped to advise businesses on necessary steps to address the concerns of investors and other stakeholders increasingly looking for, and expecting, socially responsible corporate behavior. We understand that incorporating ESG into a company's business plan creates value, enhances social license to operate and reduces reputational risks.

### Fintech

Our integrated multi-practice team supports clients with transactions, disputes and regulatory matters at the intersection of financial services and technology. Our team has advised clients on developing and launching innovative financial services products—including in lending/marketplace; blockchain/cryptocurrencies; regtech; wealth tech; payments/billing/money transfer; capital markets tech; insurtech; and mortgage tech.

**“The ‘very experienced and capable’ Mayer Brown always exceeds expectations.”**

## Representative Clients



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## Awards & Recognition

### GlobalCapital Securitization Awards

ABS Law Firm of the Year; RMBS Law Firm of the Year; Best Securitization Law Firm of the Year

### IFLR1000

Leading firm for Capital Markets: Debt; Capital Markets: Equity; Capital Markets: Derivatives; Capital Markets: Structured Finance and Securitisation

### IFLR Americas Awards

Structured Finance and Securitisation Team of the Year

### The Legal 500 US

Recommended firm for Capital Markets: Debt Offerings (Advice to Issuers; Advice to Underwriters); Capital Markets: Equity Offerings (Advice to Issuers; Advice to Underwriters); Capital Markets: Global Offerings (Advice to Issuers; Advice to Underwriters); Structured Finance; Tax: Financial Products

### US News and World Report/Best Lawyers Best Law Firms

National: Derivatives and Futures Law; National: Securities/Capital Markets Law; National: Securitization/Structured Finance Law

“Geographically, the team is extremely active in Canada-related offerings and it represents many of Canada’s main banks on financing transactions.”

–The Legal 500 US

“Clients regard the team as knowledgeable, business-oriented, responsive and very technical... a pleasure to work with.”

–Chambers USA

## Awards & Recognition (cont.)

### Chambers Global

#### Leading Capital Markets Firm:

- Structured Finance, Securitisation & Derivatives (Global)
- Finance & Capital Markets (International & Cross-Border)
- Derivatives (US & UK)
- Securitisation (US & UK)
- Structured Finance (Europe-wide)

### Chambers USA

#### Leading Capital Markets Firm:

- Derivatives
- Securitisation

### GlobalCapital Americas Derivatives Awards Law Firm Of The Year

- Americas, US

### GlobalCapital Global Derivatives Awards Law firm of the year

- Global, European

“A strong global reach allows the team to handle cross-border cases with ease, while the presence of several former regulatory officials provides insight into the most cutting-edge matters.”

—Chambers USA

“The firm routinely leads on cross-border offerings from the US but it can also draw on its extensive network of offices for support on complex, multi-jurisdictional transactions.”

—The Legal 500 US

Mayer Brown is a distinctively global law firm, uniquely positioned to advise the world's leading companies and financial institutions on their most complex deals and disputes. With extensive reach across four continents, we are the only integrated law firm in the world with approximately 200 lawyers in each of the world's three largest financial centers—New York, London and Hong Kong—the backbone of the global economy. We have deep experience in high-stakes litigation and complex transactions across industry sectors, including our signature strength, the global financial services industry. Our diverse teams of lawyers are recognized by our clients as strategic partners with deep commercial instincts and a commitment to creatively anticipating their needs and delivering excellence in everything we do. Our “one-firm” culture—seamless and integrated across all practices and regions—ensures that our clients receive the best of our knowledge and experience.

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