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Akaash practices in BLG's Corporate and Capital Markets group, with a focus on corporate finance and mergers and acquisitions.

He advises clients on a wide variety of private and public transactions. He also advises clients on corporate and securities law matters including corporate governance, regulatory compliance, and continuous disclosure requirements.

Akaash was a summer and articling student at BLG before returning as an associate.

Experience

- Represented Qvantel, a global leader in digital BSS, in its strategic acquisition of Optiva (TSX:OPT), a leader in cloud-native charging and agentic AI BSS capabilities.
- Counsel to RFA Capital Holdings Inc. in its business combination with Artis Real Estate Investment Trust to form RFA Financial.
- Counsel to Payfare in its C\$201.5m acquisition by Fiserv.

Insights & Events

- Author, "35 years of ETFs: The evolution of a Canadian innovation", BLG Article, March 2025
- Author, "OCMT chokes on Bitfarms 15 per cent poison pill", BLG Article, November 2024



 Author, "Game over: AGCO sounds the buzzer on use of athletes and influencers in iGaming advertisements", BLG Article, September 2023

Beyond Our Walls

Professional Involvement

- Member, Ontario Bar Association
- Member, Law Society of Ontario

Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 2024
- JD, Osgoode Hall Law School, 2023
- HBA, Ivey Business School, 2020

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