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Galen's practice focuses on corporate and securities law, with an emphasis on corporate finance and the investment management industry.

Prior to joining BLG, Galen worked for a specialized fixed income manager and Canada's Minister of Foreign Affairs.

### Experience

- Counsel to Guardian Capital Group Limited in its \$1.67 billion go-private transaction with Desjardins Global Asset Management Inc.
- PayBright Inc., one of Canada's leading buy-now-pay-later providers, in connection with its \$340 million acquisition by Affirm, Inc., a leading U.S.-based "buy now, pay later" platform.
- Lakeshore Securities Inc. in acquisition of Lyons Asset Management Inc.
- Northland Power Inc. in completion of \$990 million bought deal equity offering.
- Representing Eight Capital and Canaccord Genuity Corp. in WeedMD Inc. \$17.25 million bought deal offering

### Insights & Events

- Author, "A big win for Ontario: Court of Appeal decision allows international "pooled liquidity" in online gaming", BLG Article, November 2025
- Author, "iGaming in Canada: 2024 deals a strong hand and a few wildcards for 2025", BLG Article, February 2025

- Author, "2024 mid-year iGaming round-up", BLG Article, July 2024
- Author, "Game over: AGCO sounds the buzzer on use of athletes and influencers in iGaming advertisements", BLG Article, September 2023
- Author, "CSA allows Fidelity Digital Asset Services to act as liquidity provider to Fidelity Clearing Canada", BLG Article, January 2023
- Author, "Ontario iGaming round-up: end of transition period and first quarter results", BLG Article, October 2022
- Author, "Crypto winter 2022: the season for M&A opportunities", BLG Article, October 2022
- Author, "Let the iGames begin: What you need to know about Ontario's new iGaming market", BLG Article, April 2022
- Author, "Ready for takeoff! Ontario iGaming market set to launch April 4, 2022", BLG Article, January 2022
- Author, "Single-event sports betting reaches the end zone", BLG Article, June 2021
- Author, "Single-event sports betting clears another hurdle as Ontario's iGaming market takes shape", BLG Article, May 2021
- Author, "Full-court press to push single event sports betting in Canada over the line", BLG Article, March 2021
- Author, "A winning hand? Combined changes to gambling industry could end Canada's drift", BLG Article, January 2021

## Beyond Our Walls

### Professional Involvement

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

## Awards & Recognition

- Recognized in the 2026 edition (and since 2025) of *Chambers Canada* (Gaming & Licensing (Nationwide - Canada)).

## Bar Admission & Education

- Ontario, 2020
- Osgoode Certificate in Blockchain Law, Osgoode Hall Law School, 2022
- JD, Osgoode Hall Law School, 2019
- Canadian Securities Course, Canadian Securities Institute, 2015
- BA, McGill University, 2013

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