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Matthew is an articling student at BLG's Toronto office with a focus on financial services law.

Prior to joining BLG, Matthew spent nearly eight years at the Bank of Canada and Finance Canada, where he held increasingly senior roles working on a variety of policy, legislative, and regulatory matters in the financial services space.

In 2021, Matthew was awarded the Bank of Canada Award of Excellence for Innovation for his role as one of the architects of the nascent Retail Payments Supervisory Framework, including the *Retail Payment Activities Act* and proposed Retail Payment Activities Regulations.

In 2022, he was awarded the Bank of Canada Award of Excellence for Thinking Ahead for his contributions to advancing the Canadian regulatory response to digital assets, including helping federal and provincial agencies identify gaps in current regulatory regimes and develop policy options for legislative changes.

Matthew is eager to put his subject-matter expertise, strategic mindset, and knack for problem-solving into practice at BLG.

Insights Rollup

- Author, "Canada's Retail Payment Activities Framework to take off in November 2024", BLG Article, November 2023
- Author, "British Columbia financial institutions legislative and regulatory reporter", BLG Article, August 2023
- Author, "Federal financial institutions legislative and regulatory reporter - June 2023", BLG Article, July 2023
- Author, "British Columbia's Money Services Businesses Act receives royal assent", BLG Article, July 2023
- Author, "British Columbia financial institutions legislative and regulatory reporter", BLG Article, June 2023

Education

- JD, University of Ottawa, 2015
- BA, Economics & Sociology, Dalhousie University, 2012

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