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Expertise
Technology
Cybersecurity and Data Privacy
Artificial Intelligence

Bar Admissions
Québec, 2022
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With a background as an Intelligence Analyst at a Tel Aviv-based security firm, Gabriel is well equipped to navigate complex issues in privacy and data protection law.

Gabriel also advises on IT outsourcing, cyber/data issues and private M&A and transactional matters. He has experience in drafting privacy policies, developing incident response plans for privacy and cybersecurity and conducting privacy impact assessments.

Prior to joining Davies, Gabriel worked in the Montréal office of a national Canadian law firm.

Representative Work

Brookfield
Acting for **Brookfield** in its acquisition and related financing of Gregg Distributors, a leading industrial MRO distributor in Western Canada, in a transaction valuing the business at approximately C$1.6 billion.

Plenary Americas
Acted for **Plenary Americas** in its C$1.2-billion take-private acquisition of Information Services Corporation, a leading provider of public data registry and information management services, and its related engagement with the Government of Saskatchewan with respect to legislative amendments to facilitate the transaction.

Velan Inc.
Acted for **Velan Inc.** in connection with the sale by Velan Holding Co. Ltd. of its entire holdings in Velan Inc. for C$204 million to Birch Hill Equity Partners.

Walaw
Acted for **Walaw**, an AI-native patient communication platform designed specifically for health clinics, in raising its preferred seed round, led by Telegraph Ventures and Investissement Québec.

Affiliate of Lone Star Funds
Acted as Canadian counsel to an affiliate of **Lone Star Funds**, in its acquisition of Alliance Ground International, a leading North American provider of airport ground handling and cargo services.

LiveBarn Inc.
Acted for **LiveBarn Inc.**, a Montréal-based Canadian streaming service specializing in amateur and youth sports broadcasts across the United States and Canada, in its sale to GTCR LLC, a Chicago-based private equity firm.

zofiQ
Acted for zofiQ, an agentic AI company built to automate high-volume service desk operations, in its sale to ConnectWise, a leading software and services provider to IT solution providers.

Hypixel Inc.
Acted for **Hypixel**, a Canadian video game studio, in the global launch of Hytale, a sandbox role-playing game, advising on intellectual property, commercial agreements, digital distribution, online services, and regulatory compliance.

Haveli Investments

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Acting as Canadian counsel to funds managed by **Haveli Investments** in its cross-border acquisition of Budge Studios Inc., a leading Canadian developer of mobile games for kids and families.

Robinhood Markets Inc.

Acted for **Robinhood Markets Inc.** in its C$250-million acquisition of WonderFi Technologies Inc., a Canadian fintech company that operates one of the largest registered crypto asset trading platforms in Canada.

Aecon Utilities Group Inc.

Acted for **Aecon Utilities Group Inc.** in its acquisition of KPC Power Electrical Ltd. and KPC Energy Metering Solutions Ltd., a high-voltage testing, commissioning and metering solutions contractor.

ANJAC Health & Beauty

Acted for **ANJAC Health & Beauty**, a French industrial group specializing in the formulation, manufacturing and filling of cosmetics, medical devices, drugs and food supplements, on its C$150-million sale of Ontario-based Pillar5 Pharma to Prestige Consumer Healthcare Inc, a company listed on the NYSE.

Nexans Canada Inc.

Acted for **Nexans Canada Inc.**, a global leader in cable manufacturing, in its acquisition of Electro Cables Inc., a family-owned wiring and cable manufacturer based in Ontario.

Birch Hill Equity Partners and Brookfield Asset Management

Acted for **Birch Hill Equity Partners** and **Brookfield Asset Management** in their C$2.9-billion acquisition (and related financing) of First National Financial Corporation, one of Canada’s largest non-bank mortgage originators and underwriters.

REA Group

Acted for **REA Group**, a global online real estate advertising company that is publicly listed on the Australian Securities Exchange, in its acquisition of a 61.5% equity interest in Planitar Inc., the maker of iGUIDE, a proprietary camera and software platform for capturing and delivering immersive 3D virtual tours and extensive property data.

Plusgrade Inc.

Acted for **Plusgrade**, a global leader in ancillary revenue solutions for the travel industry, in its acquisition of Oaky B.V., a Dutch software company that operates a hotel upselling software platform.

Mountaingate Capital Management II. L.P.

Acted for **Mountaingate Capital Management II, L.P.** in the sale of its interest in Damotech Inc., a leading rack safety manufacturer, to an affiliate of Vance St. Capital

Celsius Holdings, Inc.

Acted as Canadian counsel for **Celsius Holdings** in its US$585-million strategic partnership with PepsiCo, including the acquisition of Rockstar Energy® in the U.S. and Canada and the integration of Alani Nu® into PepsiCo’s U.S. and Canada distribution network.

Atlas Holdings LLC

Acted for **Atlas Holdings LLC** in its acquisition of EVRAZ North America, a producer

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Doximity, Inc.
Acted for **Doximity, Inc.** in its acquisition of Pathway Medical Inc., a Montreal-based medical AI and clinical reference startup.

Dominus Capital
Acted as Canadian counsel to **Dominus Capital** in its acquisition of Creative Outdoor Advertising, a street-level media provider serving local advertisers in small and mid-sized municipalities in the United States and Canada.

Vortex Companies
Acted for **Vortex Companies**, a Quad-C Management, Inc. portfolio company and global leader in trenchless infrastructure solutions, in its acquisition of Foraction Inc., Quebec's leading trenchless watermain rehabilitation contractor, from Groupe Michaudville.

Wolseley Canada Inc.
Acted for **Wolseley Canada Inc.**, the leading wholesale distributor to plumbing, HVAC/R, waterworks and industrial markets in Canada, in its acquisition of National Fire Equipment Ltd. and National Fire Fabrication Ltd., a leader of fire and fabrication products and services across Canada.

Novacap Management Inc.
Acted for **Novacap**, a leading Canadian private equity firm, in connection with the rollover of its investment in the approximately US$6.3-billion privatization of Nuvei Corporation to a new continuation vehicle and other Novacap funds.

Recognitions

Best Lawyers Canada
Technology Law
Ones to Watch

External Engagements

Article
When Artificial Intelligence Renders Lawyers Obsolete: Proposing a Legal Framework to Govern the Deployment of AI-Assisted Unmanned Aerial Vehicles in American Counterterrorism
Aug 1, 2020
Annals of Air and Space Law, Volume 43
Download Article

Article
The Vulnerable Architecture of Unmanned Aerial Systems: Mapping and Mitigating Cyberattack Threats, co-author
Dec 1, 2017
Cyber, Intelligence, and Security, Volume 1, No. 3
Download Article

Insights

PSP Investments Announces Sale of Sunrise Senior Living

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Oct 9, 2026

Davies Lawyers Recognized by *Best Lawyers*
Sep 3, 2026

Brookfield to Acquire Gregg Distributors in $1.6 Billion Deal
Jul 22, 2026

Plenary Acquires ISC in $1.2 Billion Deal
Jul 8, 2026

Bill C-36: Rewriting the Rules for Canadian Private Sector Privacy
Jun 23, 2026

LiveBarn Acquired by GTCR
Mar 25, 2026

zofiQ Announces Sale to ConnectWise
Jan 22, 2026

Nexans to Acquire Electro Cables Inc.
Oct 24, 2025

Robinhood to Expand into Canada with WonderFi Acquisition
May 14, 2025

Education

International Association of Privacy Professionals, Certified Information Privacy Professional, Europe (CIPP/E), 2025
International Association of Privacy Professionals, Certified Information Privacy Professional, Canada (CIPP/C), 2024
McGill University, Faculty of Law, BCL/JD, 2020
Tel Aviv University, MA (Security and Diplomacy) (*Magna Cum Laude*), 2017
University of Toronto, Doctorate in International Relations (coursework), 2016
University of Ottawa, MA (Political Science, International Relations), 2015
Concordia University, BA (Political Science) (with distinction), 2013

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Community Involvement

Tel Aviv University Canada – Scholarship Committee, chair

Professional Affiliations

International Association of Privacy Professionals