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Derek Keay is a partner in Gowling WLG's Ottawa office.

Derek practises corporate law with an emphasis on corporate finance and mergers and acquisitions, primarily involving emerging technology companies. His primary focus is on providing advice to Canadian and international companies, together with angel, venture

capital and institutional investors in relation to debt and equity financing transactions. He also has extensive experience in advising companies, shareholders and acquirers in connection with the purchase and sale of businesses, both in Canada and cross-border. Derek has also worked extensively with technology companies at various stages, from start-ups to public corporations, assisting them in many aspects of their day-to-day legal requirements, including corporate governance matters.

Prior to joining the firm in 2005, Derek was a partner with a Kanata-based technology law firm. In addition, he was a partner in the technology business group of a national law firm, where he practised for over 10 years from its Ottawa, Ontario offices.

Expertise

Financial Institutions & Services

Life Sciences

Tech

Capital Markets

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Mergers & Acquisitions

Private Equity

Career & Recognition

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Chambers Canada 2021

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Best Lawyers in Canada 2021

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Lexpert Special Edition: Technology 2020

April

Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory 2020

2019

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Chambers Canada 2020

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The Best Lawyers in Canada 2020

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Lexpert/ROB Special Edition on Canada's Leading Corporate Lawyers 2019

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Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory 2019

2018

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Chambers Canada 2019

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The Best Lawyers in Canada 2019

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Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory 2018

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The Best Lawyers in Canada 2018

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Lexpert Guide to the Leading US/Canada Cross-Border Corporate Lawyers in Canada
2017

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Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory 2017

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Lexpert 2015 Guide to the Leading US/Canada Cross-border Corporate Lawyers in
Canada

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Year of Call, Ontario

1992

Queen's University, LLB

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Queen's University, MIR

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Carleton University, BA (Hons.)

Memberships

- Canadian Bar Association - Business Law section
- Law Society of Upper Canada