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Biography

Myron Mallia-Dare is a corporate lawyer and Co-Leader of Miller Thomson's national High Growth and Emerging Companies Program – MTech, specializing in the technology, media and telecommunications sectors. With a primary focus on domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, private equity, and venture financing, Myron brings extensive experience and insights to help clients navigate complex legal challenges.

Recognized for his expertise, Myron was listed in Canada's Best Lawyers 2022 in the category of Ones to Watch. He is an experienced legal advisor in private equity and venture capital, regularly counseling domestic and international private equity funds, sellers, and strategic acquirers on complex transactions. Myron excels at identifying and solving unique challenges in acquiring or selling technology, media, and telecommunications companies. Private equity sponsors and investors rely on his comprehensive guidance throughout the investment cycle, including fund investments, leveraged buyouts, co-investments, distressed investments, and exits. Myron is a thought leader on the impacts of ESG in M&A transactions and routinely advises boards, stakeholders and shareholder on ESG matters. He is an Instructor for the Osgoode Certificate in ESG, Climate Risk & the Law in the Osgoode Professional Development program. Myron is also an adjunct professor at the University of New Brunswick Faculty of Law where he teaches Corporate Finance.

In addition to his private equity and M&A expertise, Myron actively contributes to the venture capital space. He works closely with private equity and venture capital funds, strategic investors, and high-growth emerging companies. Myron represents both issuers and investors, guiding them through various stages of investments, from seed stage financing to going public. He provides strategic advice to emerging companies, helping them become investment-ready and skillfully navigate each financing transaction. Myron's commitment to supporting the startup community is evident through his involvement in accelerators and business incubator programs. He plays a central role in Miller Thomson's partnership with OneEleven – Canada's premier community of venture-backed tech companies – furthering his dedication to empowering and guiding entrepreneurs.

Myron brings in-depth experience in equity and debt financing, joint

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ventures, business combinations, and governance matters to support technology companies' day-to-day corporate needs. He specializes in cutting-edge technologies, including artificial intelligence, FinTech, RegTech, MedTech, AgriTech, blockchain, and cloud computing (SaaS, IaaS, and PaaS).

Recognized as a thought leader, Myron actively contributes to conferences, podcasts, and industry publications. His insights cover trends in private equity, venture capital, emerging companies, and ESG. He has co-authored chapters for two books on emerging technologies written by leading experts throughout the world, being "Law of Artificial Intelligence and Smart Machines: Understanding A.I. and the Legal Impact" and "Cloud 3.0".

In addition to his legal practice, Myron actively engages with the technology industry. He serves on the Board of Directors for numerous companies, including a multinational cybersecurity firm. As a Strategic Advisor to the Canadian RegTech Association and a past-chair of the Canadian Venture Capital Association's Young Professional's Committee, Myron demonstrates his commitment to driving innovation and growth in the technology sector.

If you are seeking a trusted legal advisor with a deep understanding of private equity, venture capital, ESG, and the technology industry, Myron is here to assist you. Connect with him to explore how he can leverage his expertise and strategic guidance to help you achieve your goals and drive your success.

Professional achievements & leadership

- *The Best Lawyers in Canada: Ones to Watch* - Information Technology Law, 2022

Thought leadership

Publications:

- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: From Public to Private: Strategic Considerations for Targets and Foreign Buyers in Canadian Going-Private Transactions", 2023
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: Private Equity and the ESG Advantage: Addressing Risks and Opportunities in M&A", 2023
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: From Vision to Valuation: Empowering Emerging Companies with Simple Agreements for Future Equity (SAFEs)", 2023
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: Unlocking Value Through Carve-out Transactions: Deal Considerations for Private Equity Sponsors", 2023
- Co-author, "Lexology: Employee ownership trusts: An alternative structure to transition your business", 2023
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: Navigating successful exits in private equity to maximize returns", 2023
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: Private equity and the ESG advantage: Addressing risks and opportunities in M&A", 2023
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: The advantages of co-investments in private equity: Collaborating for success", 2023
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Mergers and Acquisitions

Committee's Deal Points Publication: ESG: Mitigating Risk in Mergers & Acquisitions", Fall 2023

- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Mergers and Acquisitions Committee's Deal Points Publication: Critical Issues in Technology M&A: What Buyers Should Consider When Acquiring Technology Companies", Spring 2023
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: Best practice for managing ESG in the boardroom", 2023
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: What to consider when forming a Corporate Venture Capital program", 2022
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: Down rounds: What emerging companies should consider when raising in a slowing economy", 2022
- Co-author, "American Bar Association's Business Law Today: ESG: Creating Value and Mitigating Risk in Mergers & Acquisitions", 2022
- Co-author, "Toronto Star: Hype-free Canadian tech startups may find prudence pays", 2022
- Co-author, "Stocked up: How Startups and Emerging Companies can Effectively Utilize Options to Attract Talent", American Bar Association's Business Law Today, July 13, 2021
- Co-author, "Canadian privacy law 2.0: Artificial intelligence (AI) and Bill C-11, the Consumer Privacy Protection Act", Mondaq, December 9, 2020
- Author, "Product Liability and AI: Who's Really at Fault?" Legal Business World, June 2020
- Author, "How Private Equity and Venture Capital Funds can Weather the COVID-19 Crisis", Canadian Venture Capital Association's Central, April 15 2020
- Co-author, "Navigating COVID-19: Key strategies to protect start-ups and emerging growth companies", Lexology, April 9, 2020
- Co-author, "OSC Orders Approval of Prospectus for Canada's First Bitcoin Investment Fund", American Bar Association's Business Law Today, March 20 2020
- Co-author, "RegTech: How Technology Can Revolutionize Compliance", American Bar Association's Business Law Today, March 20, 2020
- Co-author, "How Can Venture Debt Fuel a Start-up or Emerging Growth Company's Growth", American Bar Association's Business Law Today, March 11, 2020
- Co-author, "Advisory Committee on Open Banking provides an update on Consumer-directed finance in Canada", Mondaq, March 9, 2020
- Co-author, "The Potential Impact of Blockchain Technology on Securitization", American Bar Association's Business Law Today, December 5, 2019
- Co-author, "Canadian Senate Report Urges Action on Open Banking", American Bar Association's Business Law Today, August 13, 2019
- Co-author, Chapter entitled "Artificial Intelligence in Canada" Law of Artificial Intelligence and Smart Machines: Understanding A.I. and the Legal Impact. Chicago: American Bar Association, August 1, 2019
- Co-author, Chapter entitled "Cloud Computing in Canada" Cloud 3.0. Chicago: American Bar Association, April 2, 2019

Speaking Engagements:

- Instructor, The Osgoode Certificate in ESG, Climate Risk and the Law, Osgoode Professional Development, 20223

- Speaker, ESG Considerations for PE Investments, American Bar Association's Business Law Section Spring Meeting, 2022
- Moderator, Insights into Partnering with Corporate Venture Capital Funds, CIX Conference, 2022
- Instructor, The Osgoode Certificate in ESG, Climate Risk and the Law, Osgoode Professional Development, 2022
- Speaker, Best Kept Legal Secrets to Keep Your Company Afloat, OneEleven, 2022
- Moderator, ESG – Business as Usual: How Sustainability is Becoming Integrated into Conventional Operations, Canadian Venture Capital & Private Equity Association's InvestCanada Conference, 2022
- Speaker, ESG issues in Capital Markets and Restructuring, Turnaround Management Association NextGen Leadership Conference - New York Chapter, 2022
- Speaker, Recent Developments and Business Necessities in Deal Terms for Mid-Market M&A Transactions, American Bar Association's Business Law Section Spring Meeting, 2022
- Speaker, FinTech M&A and Venture Capital investments, Voice of FinTech Podcast, 2022
- Speaker, Getting Investor Ready - Preparing for your next round, Deloitte Fast50 Webinar Series, 2021
- Speaker, Beyond Controls – Exploring Cyber Innovation, Canadian Regulatory Technology Association, February 9, 2021
- Speaker, CETA & E-Commerce: Considerations for EU companies, European Union Chamber of Commerce in Canada, February 3, 2021
- Speaker, Big Data: Tactics For Managing Legal Risks in the Operation & Sale of a Business, BrightTALK, December 15, 2020
- Moderator, Quantum Computing 101 , Canadian RegTech Association Podcast – RegTech Round Up Podcast, November 2020
- Speaker, Big Data & AI Toronto 2020: Hybrid Conference & Expo, Big Data and AI Webinar Series, September 30, 2020
- Speaker, Navigating Through the COVID-19 Crisis – How AI Companies Can Survive and Thrive, Big Data and AI Webinar Series, May 7, 2020
- Moderator, Automate and Augment - Driving Efficiencies through Robotic Process Automation (RPA), Canadian RegTech Association Podcast - RegTech Round Up Podcast, July 30, 2020
- Moderator, "Conquering the Complexity – Managing Third-Party Risk", Canadian Regulatory Technology Association, May 13, 2020
- Moderator, Best Practices for Contracting to Protect the Business, Ontario Bar Association's Institute Program on "The Future of Innovation: Fundamental Shifts in IP and IT Law", February 4, 2020
- Speaker, Data and AI Marketing Toronto Conference and Expo, December 2, 2019
- Co-chair, Blockchain & Artificial Intelligence Meet Privacy Law: An Interactive Conversation on Strategizing for Clients, Ontario Bar Association, September 17, 2019
- Panelist, Autonomous Machines, World Legal Summit, August 1, 2019
- Moderator, Cyber Security and Personal Data, World Legal Summit, August 1, 2019.
- Speaker, Privacy and Policy: Protecting Your Business – Practical Guidance for Technology Companies, Ryerson's Legal Innovation Zone, February 25, 2019.
- Speaker, Cybersecurity and the Boardroom – Responsibilities of Directors, Officers and Counsel, Cybersecurity Webinar Series,

January 22, 2019.

- Speaker, Privacy and Security Risks in Blockchain, Cybersecurity Seminar, November 14, 2018.
- Speaker, Cybersecurity and the Boardroom – Responsibilities of Directors, Officers and Counsel, Cybersecurity Seminar, November 14, 2018.
- Panelist, Impacts of Blockchain and Artificial Intelligence on Governments and Society, Blockchain Innovation Communities Beyond Crypto Conference, April 7, 2018.
- Speaker, Due Diligence in Purchase Agreements, The Institute of Law Clerks of Ontario's Advanced Corporate Law Program, October 12, 2016.
- Speaker, Protecting IP and Contracting for Producers, Rain Dance Toronto, June 15, 2016.

Community involvement

- Adjunct Professor of Law -University of New Brunswick
- Co-Chair, Canadian Venture Capital Association – Young Professionals Committee (CVCA-YPC)
- Committee Member - Capital Connection Conference (2023), Association of Corporate Growth
- Member of the M&A Committee's ESG taskforce - American Bar Association
- Advisor, Holt Accelerator– a FinTech Accelerator
- Strategic Advisor, Canadian RegTech Association
- Community Partner (Canada) – FinTech Connector
- Planning Committee, Toronto Computer Lawyers' Group (TCLG)
- Planning committee, 2019 Can-Tech Law Annual Conference
- Mentor, Planet Hatch – an incubator for technology startups
- Mentor, Menteeer - a career skills incubator

Corporate directorships

- Director, Orna Inc.
- Director, Wembley Partners Global Holdings, Inc.
- Past Director, Kindred Spirits Orchestra
- Past Director, Youth Centres Canada

Professional memberships

- Past Section Executive - Ontario Bar Association - Information Technology & Intellectual Property Law Section
- Canadian Technology Law Association
- Toronto Computer Lawyers' Group
- Canadian Bar Association
- American Bar Association
- Association of Corporate Growth
- International Bar Association

Bar admissions & education

- Ontario, 2015
- Performance Leadership Certificate, Cornell University, May 2024
- Executive Leadership Certificate, Cornell University, May 2022
- Oxford Fintech Programme, Saïd Business School, University of Oxford, 2019
- J.D., University of New Brunswick, 2014
- M.B.A. (Entrepreneurship), University of New Brunswick, 2011
- B.B.A. (Hons.), University of New Brunswick, 2007