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Recognitions

- The Legal 500: Key Lawyer in Banking & Finance since 2021

Languages

French, English

Selected Publications

- Legal Technology 2024 - Regulation and Licensing of Crypto Custodians in Switzerland
- High-Yield Debt - Switzerland, 2024 Edition
- Banking Regulation 2024
- The Legal 500 Country Comparative Guides on Fintech: Switzerland Chapter
- The Virtual Currency Regulation Review, Switzerland chapter 6th edition

Grégoire Tribolet is a Partner in our Banking and Finance Group in Geneva. He is a specialist in banking, financial services and corporate law. With a focus on servicing clients in the financial industry, he covers a broad range of specialized services, including regulatory compliance, licensing applications and proceedings before the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA), finance transactions, mergers and acquisitions and corporate reorganizations. Grégoire has also developed niche expertise in fintech solutions, blockchain and data protection.

Expertise

- Banking & Finance
- Blockchain-Technologies & FinTech
- Data
- Restructuring and Insolvency
- Financial Services
- Corporate & Commercial
- Capital Markets
- Insurance
- Mergers & Acquisitions

Experience

- Advising banks, asset managers and other financial intermediaries on a wide range of regulatory matters, including the implementation of new regulations, corporate governance, AML, cross-border, professional secrecy, sanctions, outsourcing, market conduct, data protection and cybersecurity, as well as on contractual and business matters
- Assisting financial institutions with licensing applications and proceedings before the Swiss Financial Market Supervisory Authority (FINMA)
- Advising financial institutions and corporations on financing transactions with a value ranging from tens of million to several billion U.S. dollars
- Assisting financial institutions, crypto companies and corporations with blockchain projects, including in connection with the issuance of tokens, the custody of digital assets, and regulatory approvals from FINMA
- Acting as escrow agent in transactional matters, including in a multi-billion transaction
- Advising financial institutions with mergers and acquisitions, including the acquisition or sale of client portfolios, bank mergers and the acquisition of asset managers and family offices
- Assisted two Swiss banks in obtaining their full banking license from FINMA
- Assisted several Swiss banks in setting up their crypto custody offering

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Career

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| 2021 | Partner at Schellenberg Wittmer |
| 2016 | Senior Associate at Schellenberg Wittmer |
| 2013 | Associate at Schellenberg Wittmer |
| 2011 | Legal consultant at an international audit firm in Geneva |
| 2009 | Trainee Lawyer in a business law firm in Geneva |

Education

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| 2014 | Bar Admission New York |
| 2013 | LL.M., Columbia Law School (Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar) |
| 2011 | Bar Admission in Switzerland |
| 2009 | Master of Law, University of Lausanne |
| 2007 | Bachelor of Law, University of Lausanne |

Additional Professional Activities

- Member of various professional organizations, such as the Geneva Bar Association, the International Association of Young Lawyers (AIJA), the Geneva Business Law Association, the Swiss Private Equity & Corporate Finance Association (SECA), the Capital Markets and Technology Association (CMTA) and the Crypto Valley Association
- Recognized as a legal expert by the CMTA
- Lecturer in VisionCompliance's AML Specialist training program