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Representative Industries
- Financial Services
- Asset Management
- Blockchain
- Digital assets

Professional Associations
- CPA Canada

Languages
- English (Fluent)
- Hindi (Fluent)

Education, Licenses & Certifications
- MSc, Simon Fraser University (2021)
- Honours Bachelor of Accounting (2018)

Background

James Emerson

James is a manager in our financial services and cryptoasset practice where he has over 6 years of delivering engagements for large publicly traded and private funds, financial institutions including schedule 1 banks. He has been actively involved in the cryptoasset space for more than 4 years and has designed, developed and operated several cryptoasset mining nodes including Ethereum nodes.

He has 6 years of experience in external audit and specializes in the financial technology industry where he has led the audit of a publicly listed company investing in Ethereum-based ecosystems and Web 3.0 technologies including testing controls over multi-sig custody smart contracts and the development of an in-house blockchain transaction tool. He has experience in strategy development, vendor assessments, SOC reviews, identification, evaluation of controls and risk across several enterprise blockchain related engagements. He has supported large global cryptoasset payment processors in drafting their treasury and wallet management policies for their cryptoassets.

He has been involved in educating Canadian securities regulator on key risks related to the crypto-asset ecosystem enabling them to adequately develop regulations for crypto-asset organizations. He has participated in roundtable brainstorming sessions with committees responsible for crypto-asset regulations and has developed training sessions on crypto-asset basics, global regulatory landscape, key risks, and leading practices on mitigation of these key risks.