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## Overview

Matthew Kohen focuses his practice on the representation of technology companies in emerging industries such as fintech, telecommunications, and cybersecurity. He regularly advises companies on issues related to capital formation, regulatory compliance, and general corporate matters.

Matthew also serves as co-chair of the firm's Blockchain and Digital Currency Practice, and counsels companies in this space on how to structure their blockchain businesses and products into existing regulatory regimes.

## All Insights

- 04.09.2021 State Regulations on Virtual Currency and Blockchain Technologies (Updated March 2021)  
*Thomson Reuters*
- 07.27.2020 New York's Relaxed BitLicense Could Still Take Lessons From Wyoming's Permissive Approach
- 07.23.2020 Bank Regulator Clarifies Crypto Custody Rules
- 07.14.2020 State Regulations on Virtual Currency and Blockchain Technologies (Updated July 2020)  
*Thomson Reuters*
- 10.04.2019 Carlton Fields Rolls Out Blockchain, Crypto, and Virtual Currency State Legislation Tracker
- 08.29.2019 State Regulations on Virtual Currency and Blockchain Technologies  
*Thomson Reuters*
- 07.24.2019 2019 State Blockchain, Crypto, and Virtual Currency Legislation Tracker

07.11.2019	Cryptocurrency Regulatory Complexities Multiply
07.03.2019	How State Remote Sales and Use Tax Statutes May Impact Crypto Assets <i>Bloomberg Law</i>
03.21.2019	First SIM-Swap Conviction: What's the Message for Mobile Providers?
08.01.2017	Podcast: What is so important about blockchain?
12.21.2016	Should Your Company Purchase Bitcoin to Pay a Cyber Ransom?
<b>All News</b>	
01.26.2021	Carlton Fields Advises Wyncode Academy in Acquisition by BrainStation
05.01.2020	Carlton Fields Recognized as 2020 Top Firm for Insurance for Third Consecutive Year
04.17.2020	Wright v. Kleiman Enters Final Act – Document Reveal May Set Precedent
12.19.2019	Carlton Fields' Matthew E. Kohen Quoted in Media on Cryptocurrency Regulations
11.21.2019	The Surprising Reason Why Blockstack May File for an IPO
10.25.2019	Carlton Fields Moves Blockchain Co-Leader to Los Angeles Office
10.19.2019	Carlton Fields Blockchain Attorneys Quoted on U.S. Regulatory Climate for Cryptocurrencies
08.30.2019	Carlton Fields' Matthew E. Kohen Quoted in Media About High-Profile Cryptocurrency Case
07.03.2019	Carlton Fields Attorneys Author Article Series in Bloomberg Law on State Sales and Use Tax Statutes
06.13.2019	Carlton Fields' Matthew E. Kohen Quoted in Coverage of Bitcoin Creator Dispute
05.09.2019	FinCEN Issues New Guidance for Cryptocurrency Industry

05.08.2019	Carlton Fields Blockchain Attorney Quoted in Article about Bitcoin Creator
02.05.2019	Carlton Fields Blockchain Attorneys Provide Commentary on Court Ruling Affecting Bitcoin Regulation
07.09.2018	Super Lawyers Honors 81 Carlton Fields Attorneys on 2018 Florida “Super Lawyers” and “Rising Stars”
03.01.2018	State Regulations on Virtual Currency and Blockchain Technologies
12.08.2017	Carlton Fields’ Bitcoin/Blockchain Practice Featured in Of Counsel
08.29.2017	Blockchain: Invasion of the Smart Contract Hackers
08.23.2017	Blockchain Technology: Inevitable Disruption or Inflated Hype
06.23.2017	Florida Super Lawyers Ranks 92 Carlton Fields Attorneys as 2017 “Super Lawyers” and “Rising Stars”

## Recognition

- "State Regulations on Virtual Currency and Blockchain Technologies (Updated)" recognized as a Top Article in Finance & Banking, Securities by the 2020 *JD Supra* Readers' Choice Awards
- Florida Rising Stars, *Super Lawyers Magazine* (2017–2021)
- Recognized as a Top Author in cybersecurity by the 2016 *JD Supra* Readers' Choice Awards

## Professional & Community Involvement

- American Bar Association
- One Community One Goal, Miami-Dade County's official economic development organization
  - Miami-Dade Beacon Council
  - Information Technology Committee
- InfraGard
  - Partnership between the FBI and the private sector dedicated to sharing information and intelligence to prevent hostile acts against businesses and academic institutions.
  - Communications, Financial Services & Information Technology Sectors
- Florida International Bankers Association

- Innovation Committee

## Speaking Engagements

- "Roundtable Discussion on Navigating the CBD Landscape," CBD Seminar, PLAC, Miami, FL (January 15, 2020)
- "Regulation Panel," North American Bitcoin Conference, Miami, FL (January 2018)
- "Doing a TGE? Assemble your 'Dream Team,'" BlockCon, Santa Monica, CA (October 11, 2017)
- "The Law of Blockchain," Florida International University's StartUP FIU, Miami, FL (September 29, 2017)
- "Early Stage Deal Structure, Preparing for Due Diligence, and NDAs," Healthbox Miami Studio, Miami, FL (June 19, 2015)

## Credentials

### EDUCATION

- University of Miami School of Law (J.D., magna cum laude, 2014)
  - Senior Articles Editor, *University of Miami Law Review*
  - Podhurst Orseck Scholarship
  - Outstanding Merit Scholarship
  - Greenstein Family Scholarship
- American University (B.A., 2011)

### COURT ADMISSIONS

- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Florida
- U.S. District Court, Southern District of Texas
- Florida State Courts

### BAR ADMISSIONS

- Florida

## Areas of Focus

### PRACTICES

- Blockchain and Digital Currency
- Business Transactions
- Class Actions
- Consumer Finance
- Crypto Insolvency and Fiduciary Practice
- Esports and Electronic Gaming

### INDUSTRIES

- Banking, Commercial, and Consumer Finance

- Fintech and P&C Insurance  
Regulatory and Transactional
- Intellectual Property
- Life, Annuity, and Retirement  
Litigation
- Litigation and Trials
- Property & Casualty Insurance
- Real Property Litigation
- Technology
- Telecommunications