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Michael advises emerging growth companies on a range of matters, including corporate governance, venture financings, securities reporting and other issues. His practice spans industries, such as tech, artificial intelligence and sports.

Before entering the legal field, Michael co-authored an academic article exploring the development of leadership and interpersonal skills in digital environments. He is passionate about advancing diversity and equity efforts and maintains an active pro bono practice.

#### Publications

- Co-author, "Virtual leaders: Can customizing authoritarian and democratic business leader avatars influence altruistic behavior and leadership empowerment perceptions?", *Computers in Human Behavior*, April 2023

### Education

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law  
JD, 2023

University of California, Davis  
BA, 2018

### Admissions & Credentials

California