



**Rebecca Abelson, CPA Auditor**

Manager,  
Financial Accounting Advisory  
Services  
Ernst & Young LLP

**Clearance & language**

Fluent: English & French  
Reliability status, file  
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**Industry lines**

Power & Utilities  
Government  
Technology  
Consumer Products & Retail

**Education**

*Bachelor of Commerce, Major in  
Accounting, McGill University -  
Desautels Faculty of  
Management*

*Graduate Certificate in  
Professional Accounting (GCPA),  
McGill University - Desautels  
Faculty of Management*

## Professional experience summary

A manager within Ernst & Young LLP's Financial Accounting Advisory Services (FAAS) group in Montréal, she is specialized in technical accounting and reporting. Rebecca has been with EY since the beginning with her career in 2018 and her experience ranges from developing specific audit and review strategies (risk assessments, testing strategies, planning & scoping, synthesizing complex control environments) to consulting on various complex accounting issues and directing and managing accounting teams as part of a client's team.

She has extensive experience auditing and dealing with technical accounting matters with public and medium sized clients with respect to highly complex control and reporting environments. Rebeca's experience includes various key areas of finance such as internal controls, external reporting requirements, and due diligence under a variety of accounting frameworks. Rebecca also has experience researching complex accounting issues under various GAAPs and analyzing complex contracts and deal documents to create accounting position papers and note disclosures.

Rebecca is part of the Canadian Quality and Risk Management team which governs and implements policy requirements used to assess and manage engagement risk for the entire Canadian FAAS & CCaSS practices. She is organized and committed to bringing technical knowledge and professional best practice to all her clients while ensuring practical and efficient collaboration between engagement team members and key process owners. Making an impact and positively contributing to a company's reach is what motivates her to keep on learning and keep challenging the status quo.

## Engagement experience

- ▶ Researched complex accounting issues under USGAAP, IFRS and ASPE for topics such as intangible assets, business combinations, asset retirement obligations, revenue recognition, and leases.
- ▶ Developed IFRS accounting policies and quantified accounting differences for IFRS transitions. Advised key members of management on the implementation of complex accounting principles to ensure compliance with their reporting framework and to simplify reporting processes.
- ▶ Collaborated with tax, valuation, restructuring, legal and treasury teams on multi-billion-dollar transactions to solve multi-entity accounting and reporting issues related to acquisitions.
- ▶ Analyzed complex contracts and deal documents such as offering memorandums to create accounting position papers and note disclosures. Prepared quarterly SEC filing documents and support related to acquisitions.
- ▶ Developed specific audit and review plans (risk assessments, testing strategies, data requests, planning & scoping) for several audits. Examined and compared audit criteria versus data, evidence and accounting framework to identify gaps, risks and opportunities for improvement. In addition, mentored team members, with an emphasis on knowledge transfer and professional best practice.