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# Fiserv, Block Turn to Crypto

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James Stevens, co-leader of Troutman Pepper Locke’s Financial Services Industry Group, was quoted in the October 21, 2025 *Payments Dive* article, [“Fiserv, Block Turn to Crypto.”](#)

Letting merchants accept crypto payments potentially cuts some players like banks and credit card networks out of the process, because the customer can simply send a digital currency directly to the merchant, said James Stevens, a partner at the law firm Troutman Pepper Locke who follows the payments industry.

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Square is “offering [no transaction costs for a period of time](#), and then a very low transaction cost,” Stevens said.

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