

Biography



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Expertise

Banking & Finance , Corporate , Restructuring

James is a partner in the Banking & Finance group and is based in our London office. He is also a member of our Private Credit and Special Situations team in London. James advises on high-profile transactions for a diverse range of clients, including corporates, financial institutions, sovereign wealth funds, private equity funds, holding companies and family offices.

He is passionate about delivering high-quality, tailored solutions to his clients and building long-lasting, trusted relationships with them and their counterparties. He has a strong reputation in the market for his technical expertise, commercial acumen, and problem-solving skills.

James has lived and worked in Europe, Asia, and the Middle East, leading teams on some of the most innovative and challenging transactions in those regions. He has worked in private practice and in a front-office role at a leading U.S. investment bank, which has given him a unique understanding of the commercial side of his work and "the client's perspective."

He has spoken and contributed to various industry associations and publications, such as the Law Society, ISDA, ASIFMA, and the LMA. He is also a frequent panel moderator and speaker in areas such as debt finance, fund finance, capital markets, and asset finance.

Recommendations

"Our most trusted legal adviser who has assisted us in building our global platform, structuring complex legal transactions and offering clear, value-add legal advice with a commercial perspective".

- IFLR1000, 2021

"James is pragmatic, commercial, and adept at advising on complex issues."

- Client feedback – Head of Corporate Finance, Global investment bank

Bar Admissions

Bermuda
2025

Ireland
2019

Cayman Islands
2013

England & Wales
2006

Education

BPP Law School (LPC)
2004

BPP Law School (CPE)
2003

University of Bristol (BSc)
2002

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