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# Biography



## **James Kitching**

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Expertise

Corporate

James Kitching is a member of our Corporate practice group in our BVI office. He advises on all aspects of BVI corporate and commercial law, including mergers and acquisitions, takeovers, private equity investments, joint ventures, public and private share offerings, capital raisings and corporate reorganisations.

He joined us in 2021, having previously practised with the transatlantic law firm Womble Bond Dickinson LLP and in-house at British insurer Liverpool Victoria.

Prior to joining us, James was an elected Council Member of the Law Society of England and Wales and sat on the Executive Committee of the Junior Lawyers Division.

### Recommendations

James is ranked as a "rising star".

- IFLR1000, 2023

## Experience

Advised iSmash, a high street technology repair service, on several fundraising rounds through its BVI incorporated holding company iSmash Group Limited and an investment from TELUS in 2021.

Advised AlTibbi, an emerging medical technology company targeting the Middle East and North Africa, on two successful fundraising rounds.

Advised Aura FAT Projects Acquisition Corp, a SPAC targeting new emerging technology companies with an acute growth potential in Southeast Asia and Australasia, on its successful Nasdag IPO.

Advised Saitech Limited, a Eurasia-based energy saving bitcoin mining operator, on its business combination with TradeUP Global Corporation (a SPAC).

Advised Latin American softgel maker Procaps Group on its business combination with Nasdaq listed Union Acquisition Corp. II (a Cayman incorporated SPAC) for an enterprise value of US\$1.1 billion (named "Deal of the Year, Columbia 2021" by Transaction Track Record).

Advised ACG Acquisition Company Limited (ACG), a special purpose acquisition company (SPAC) incorporated in the BVI, on its initial public offering and standard listing on the London Stock Exchange's Main Market – the first BVI SPAC incorporated in London.

Represented Talon Metals Inc., a TSX-listed base metals company, on several offerings of shares, warrants and units.

#### **Bar Admissions**

British Virgin Islands 2021

England and Wales 2017

#### Education

Bournemouth University (LPC)

Bournemouth University (GDL) 2012

University of Nottingham (BA) 2010