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James specialises in mergers and acquisitions and equity capital markets transactions.

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BACKGROUND

James graduated with a Bachelor of Finance and Bachelor of Laws (Honours).

KEY SERVICES

[Mergers & Acquisitions](#)
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EXPERIENCE

James specialises in corporate, mergers and acquisitions and equity capital markets transactions and has acted for a wide range of clients across various industries.

James has developed a breadth of experience acting for HSF's clients across the firm's Corporate, Disputes and Finance departments.

Corporate

James' Corporate experience includes advising:

- Healthscope's response to the approaches from the BGH-AusSuper Consortium and Brookfield and the successful \$4.4 billion scheme of arrangement and simultaneous takeover bid by Brookfield
- Amcor's US\$6.8 billion merger with Bemis Company Inc and redomiciliation to Jersey with a NYSE listing via scheme of arrangement and ASX foreign exempt listing
- Aconex in relation to the \$1.6 billion acquisition by Oracle
- Netwealth Group on its \$840 million IPO (Australia's second largest IPO in 2017 and awarded Best IPO in 2017 by FinanceAsia)

Finance

James' Finance experience includes acting for:

- BHP on its US\$634 million refinance in relation to the Newcastle Coal Infrastructure Group Coal Export Terminal
- BHP on Australian law aspects in relation to a multi-billion dollar US and Euro bond repurchase
- The lenders in relation to the \$500 million refinancing of Bapcor's existing debt facilities
- Growthpoint on Australian law aspects in relation to a US private placement
- Real I.S. on a \$174 million property refinance

Disputes

James' Disputes experience includes advising:

- Murray Goulburn on the defences of class action proceedings and regulatory proceedings