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BACKGROUND

Matt has a Bachelor of Laws (Honours) and a Bachelor of Commerce (Finance) from the University of Auckland. He joined Herbert Smith Freehills having spent over seven years practising as a corporate M&A lawyer at New Zealand's leading law firm and at another international law firm in Singapore.

MEMBERSHIPS

- New Zealand Law Society
- New Zealand Chamber of Commerce in Singapore

KEY SERVICES

[Mergers & Acquisitions](#)
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KEY SECTORS

[Financial Buyers](#)
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EXPERIENCE

Matt has a wide range of experience in various jurisdictions advising funds, financial investors, founders and technology, media and telecommunication companies on complex commercial transactions, including mergers and acquisitions, capital raisings, fund formation and investments, joint ventures, corporate restructurings and other complex transactions.

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Matt's experience includes advising:

- JD.Com, a NASDAQ-listed, Chinese e-commerce company and Provident Capital Partners, as joint lead investors, alongside Google, Tencent and Mitsubishi Corporation on various complex matters relating to the US\$2billion Series F investment funding round in Go-Jek, Indonesia's first unicorn company that specializes in ride-hailing and logistics
- JD.Com on its joint venture arrangements with Provident Capital
- Grab on various matters across South East Asia including:
 - its strategic partner arrangement with HappyFresh, a grocery delivery company operating across Indonesia, Malaysia and Thailand, and the development of

integrated service app GrabFresh

- its strategic commercial collaboration with UOB
- its strategic investment in and collaboration with Indonesian ride-advertising company Stick-earn
- on its acquisition of interests in Fave, a payments and consumer lifestyle online-to-offline business with operations across Southeast Asia
- Dentsu Aegis Network on various matters across APAC including
 - the acquisition of Shanghai EBP Internet Technology company, a Chinese advertising and digital platform management business headquartered in Shanghai; and
 - the proposed acquisition of an Australian media consultancy
- Prosegur Singapore Pte Ltd, a wholly-owned by Prosegur Compañia de Seguridad SA, a company listed on the Madrid Stock Exchange on its acquisition of the ICS Security Services Business and Assets as a going concern from the LHN Group
- Telio, a Vietnamese headquartered FMCG B2B e-commerce business on its Series A funding round
- Pomelo Fashion, an Thai-headquartered e-commerce and omni-channel fashion company on various matters in South East Asia, including its Series C funding rounds, follow-up investments and structuring
- IAG on the \$640million sale of its 26% interest in SBI General Insurance Company, a joint venture with the State Bank of India, via two transactions with Premji Partners (16.01%) and Warburg Pincus LLC (9.99%)
- CMA CGM S.A., a world-leading international container freight shipping company, on the sale of its 50% stake in an Ameya Logistics Pvt Ltd, an Indian logistics operation joint venture in West and Central India
- Tarsus, a B2B media group, on its acquisition of the TyreXpo series of events from

Singapore-based organsier, SingEx

- Syneos Health on the Asia-pacific aspects of its restructuring following its merger with INC Research
- Iflix, a subscription on demand OTT services focused on emerging markets on various matters internationally including:
 - its proposed restructuring
 - regulatory matters in Singapore, Malaysia, Indonesia, Myanmar and Thailand; and
 - its shareholding, joint venture arrangements in Africa
- Orange Growth Capital on its Series B and Series C investments in Indonesian e-commerce platform providers, mobile, e-payment/wallet and top-up technology companies
- Finch Capital a Dutch-headquartered venture capital firm, on its Series A investment in Indonesian-based mobile, e-payment/wallet and top-up technology company Ayopop and on its Series B investment in Indonesian-based software and mobile loyalty card company Tada
- Vodafone New Zealand on its NZ\$840million acquisition of Telstra New Zealand
- Element Financial Corporation on its NZ\$840million acquisition of GE Corporation's New Zealand fleet leasing and equipment finance business
- a clean resources fund in Asia in respect of its proposed joint venture and merger with an international renewable energy group with operations in the United Kingdom, Middle East, Pakistan and India
- Triple P Capital a Singapore-based venture capital fund on its investments in the financial literacy gaming company The Praxis Company and the insurance IT solutions company Contemi Solutions AS

- Credit Card Compare an Australian credit card comparison company on its acquisition of Singapore-based credit card compare company Finty Pte Ltd
- Bowmark Capital on the Singapore aspects of its acquisition of a controlling stake in Lawyers of Demand from Bryan Cave Leighton Paisner
- Vodafone Europe B.V in relation to its proposed NZ\$2billion reverse takeover of NZX-listed SKY Television Network Limited
- Mercury Capital, a leading mid-market Australian private equity firm on the establishment of A\$300million Mercury Capital Fund 2 and its downstream acquisitions and co-investments, including its acquisition of a 50% interest in Nirvana Group Limited, the largest independent private primary care medical organisation in New Zealand
- Orion Health Group Limited a NZX-listed healthcare software company on all aspects of its initial public offering and listing on the NZX and ASX
- Gentrack Group Limited a NZX-listed utilities management software company on all aspects of its initial public offering and listing on the NZX
- Serko Limited a NZX-listed corporate business travel and expense software company on all aspects of its initial public offering and listing on the NZX and ASX
- the shareholders of Macpac Group Holdings Limited on all aspects of the sale of a 90% interests in the company to a mid-sized private equity firm headquartered in the United States
- a palm oil and rubber Indonesian plantation owner in respect of its proposed collaboration with and sale to a multi-national cocoa plantation organisation in South Jakarta, Indonesia

RECENT PUBLICATIONS

- "Investing in Indonesia - current trends and pitfalls" 8 August 2018
- "New beneficial ownership rules in Indonesia" 2 April 2018

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