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James acts for clients on a variety of matters related to securities and capital markets. He has a particular focus in initial public offerings, public and private equity financings, mergers and acquisitions and general corporate governance and compliance matters, advising both public and private companies.

Additionally, James' expertise extends to initial stock exchange listings and general corporate matters involving both public and private companies. James works for clients in a number of industries, including mining, renewable energy and cannabis.

Experience

- Counsel to **Galantas Gold Corporation** in its \$100M private placement led by Canaccord Genuity Corp. as lead agent and sole bookrunner.
- Acted for **Pan American Silver Corp.** in its US\$4.8 billion acquisition of Yamana Gold Inc. and contemporaneous sale of Yamana's Canadian assets to Agnico Eagle Mines Limited by way of a plan of arrangement.
- Acted for **Bear Creek Mining Corporation** in its acquisition of the Mercedes gold-silver mine in Sonora Mexico from Equinox Gold Corp. for a purchase price of approximately US\$148.5 million, 2022.
- Acted for **Imperial Helium Corp.** in Royal Helium Ltd.'s acquisition of Imperial Helium Corp. pursuant to a plan of arrangement, 2022.
- Acted for **Kiboko Gold Inc.** in its initial public offering and listing on the TSX Venture Exchange, 2022.

- Acted for **Obsidian Global Partners, LLC** in its equity line of credit financing transaction with Heritage Cannabis for aggregate gross proceeds of up to US\$20 million, 2022.
- Acted for the underwriter in **Cypress Development Corp.**'s bought deal prospectus offering of units for gross proceeds of \$18 million, 2022.
- Acted for **Health Logic Interactive Inc.** in the sale of its wholly owned subsidiary, My Health Logic Inc., to Marizyme, Inc. in exchange for 4,600,000 shares of common stock of Marizyme pursuant to a plan of arrangement, 2021.
- Acted for **Panoro Minerals Ltd.** in its sale of the Antilla Copper Project to Heeney Capital Acquisition Company Inc., 2021.
- Acted for **Group Mach Acquisition Inc.** in its acquisition of \$1.5 billion of properties in connection with Canderel-led consortium's \$5.7 billion acquisition of Cominar REIT, 2021.
- Acted for **Vista Gold Corp.** in its cross-border (Canada/U.S.) public offering of units for gross proceeds of US\$13.5 million, 2021.
- Acted for **Rubicon Organics Inc.** in its listing of common shares on the TSX Venture Exchange and delisting from the Canadian Securities Exchange, 2020.
- Acted for **Aimia Loyalty Solutions** in its merger with Kognitiv Corporation to form a technology-forward loyalty solutions provider, 2020.
- Acted for a syndicate of underwriters in **SilverCrest Metals Inc.**'s short form prospectus offering of common shares for gross proceeds \$92 million, 2019.
- Acted for **Rubicon Organics Inc.** in a short form prospectus offering of units for gross proceeds of \$8.5 million, 2019.
- Acted for a syndicate of underwriters in **SilverCrest Metals Inc.**'s short form prospectus offering of common shares for gross proceeds \$25.3 million, 2019.
- Acted for **Guyana Goldfields Inc.** in connection with its successful defence of a proxy contest launched by its former Executive Chairman, 2019.
- Acted for **Pan American Silver Corp.** in its \$1.1 billion acquisition of Tahoe Resources Inc., 2019.
- Acted for a syndicate of underwriters in **Troilus Gold Corp.**'s short form prospectus offering of common shares for gross proceeds \$7 million, 2019.
- Acted for **FireFox Gold Corp.** in its initial public offering of units and listing on the TSX Venture Exchange, 2018.
- Acted for **Rubicon Organics Inc.** in its initial public listing on the Canadian Securities Exchange, 2018.
- Acted for **Rubicon Organics Inc.** in its brokered private placement of special warrants and concurrent non-brokered private placement of units for gross proceeds of \$13 million, 2018.
- Acted for **Sunniva Inc.** in a short form prospectus offering of units for gross proceeds of \$28 million, 2018.
- Acted for a syndicate of agents in a brokered private placement of units and flow-through common shares of Skeena Resources Limited for gross proceeds of \$8 million, 2018.
- Acted for a syndicate of underwriters in a brokered private placement of units of SilverCrest Metals Inc. for gross proceeds of \$10 million, 2017.
- Acted for a syndicate of underwriters in a brokered private placement of units of US Cobalt Inc. for gross proceeds of \$6 million, 2017.
- Acted for **Carmanah Technologies Corporation** in its \$30 million substantial issuer bid, 2017.
- Acted for **Boston Pizza** in its substantial reorganization, 2017.

Insights & Events

- Author, "BLG clients Aimia Inc. and Kognitiv Corporation have a significant win", BLG Article, June 2020

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Professional Involvement

- Member, Law Society of British Columbia

Awards & Recognition

- Recognized in the 2026 edition of *The Best Lawyers in Canada* as “Ones to Watch” (Securities Law).

Bar Admission & Education

- British Columbia, 2018
- B.Comm, University of British Columbia, 2010
- JD, University of Alberta, 2017

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