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Areas of expertise

Asset Finance >

Banking and Finance >

Debt Capital Markets >

Fund Finance >

Islamic Finance >

Legal >

Leveraged Finance >

Listing services >

Private Equity >

Real Estate Finance >

Regulatory >

Restructuring and Insolvency >

Structured Finance >

Sustainable Finance >

Corporate

Derivatives

Mergers and Acquisitions

Regulatory

Sustainable Investing and ESG

Background and experience

James qualified in England and Wales in 2011, joined Ogier in the Cayman Islands in 2015 and moved to Ogier in Jersey in 2020.

James has an interest in ESG and sustainable finance and practices both Jersey and Cayman Islands law from the Ogier Jersey office. His clients include financial institutions, sponsors and corporates. James' core focus is banking and finance across fund, real estate, leveraged and acquisition finance. James is also part of Ogier's multi-disciplinary Private Equity and

Restructuring and Insolvency teams, in respect of which James specialises in fund finance, advising financial institutions and private equity sponsors on leveraged buyout and acquisition financing transactions, refinancing, corporate restructuring and reorganisations respectively. James has worked on a wide range of private equity and Restructuring and Insolvency transactions, often with short turnaround times and cross-border considerations.

James received his LL.B in Law and Management Studies from the University of Leeds in 2007 and his Diploma in Legal Practice from the College of Law in 2009. James is qualified in England and Wales (non-practising) and the Cayman Islands and practices both Jersey and Cayman Islands law, having relocated from the Cayman Islands to Jersey in 2020.

Admitted

2015 - Cayman Islands

2011 - England and Wales (non practising)

James is not admitted in Jersey.

Examples of work

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17 May 2022

Ogier advises Joint Lead Managers in £500 million States of Jersey bond issuance

Katrina Edge

Team: Bruce MacNeil, Kate McCaffrey, James Lydeard

📍 Jersey

Deal

23 February 2022

Ogier in Jersey advises on Invesco Physical Bitcoin launch

James Lydeard

📍 Jersey

Deal

19 November 2021

Ogier advises on Arrow Global's £1.2 billion bond financing and £285 million revolving facility

Bruce MacNeil
Team: James Lydeard, Sophie Treanor

📍 Jersey

Deal

28 July 2021

Ogier advises PizzaExpress on milestone £335 million refinancing deal

Bruce MacNeil
Team: James Lydeard, Sophie Treanor, Lucy Chambers, Emily Renouf

📍 Jersey

Deal

15 June 2021

Ogier advises on Tullow Oil's US\$2.38 billion refinancing

Bruce MacNeil
Team: James Lydeard

📍 Jersey

Deal

7 May 2021

Ogier advises ad hoc group of noteholders on US\$7.1 billion Valaris plc financial restructuring

Bruce MacNeil
Team: James Lydeard

📍 Jersey

Deal

31 March 2021

Ogier advises Pala Investments in its sale of Voisey's Bay Cobalt Stream

Simon Dinning
Team: Bruce MacNeil, James Lydeard, Chloe Watson-Hill

📍 Jersey

Deal

6 January 2021

Ogier advises arranger of landmark green bond issuance

Katrina Edge

Team: Christopher Jones, Simon Dinning, James Lydeard, Oliver Richardson, Michaela Jesson

📍 Guernsey, Jersey

Deal

24 November 2020 | 1 min read

Ogier advises Cain International on Paris office development acquisition

Sophie Reguengo

Team: Katrina Edge, Kate McCaffrey, Bruce MacNeil, James Lydeard

📍 Jersey

Deal

10 November 2020

Ogier advises PizzaExpress group on landmark restructuring

Bruce MacNeil

Team: James Lydeard

📍 Jersey

Deal

News and insights

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4 October 2023 | 2 min read

Outstanding recognition for Ogier's top tier Jersey teams in Legal 500 UK 2024

News

30 May 2023 | 3 min read

Exemption from registration under the Security Interests (Jersey) Law 2012

for trusts

Bruce MacNeil

Team: James Lydeard, Kate McCaffrey, Katrina Edge

📍 Jersey

Insight

9 February 2023

Fund finance regional perspectives and updates - February 2023

Michael Killourhy

Team: James Heinicke, Paul Chanter, Laura Holtham, Kate McCaffrey, James Lydeard, David Nelson, and 1 more

📍 British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Guernsey, Ireland, Jersey, Hong Kong, and 1 more

Insight

7 February 2023

QAHCs and QEBs: the benefits of Jersey and Guernsey

Alexandra O'Grady

Team: Paul Chanter, James Fox, James Lydeard, Kate McCaffrey, Lucy Chambers, Emily Renouf

📍 Jersey, Guernsey

Insight

13 October 2022

TISE launches new transition offering within its sustainable finance segment

Raulin Amy

Team: Paul Chanter, James Fox, Bruce MacNeil, Kate McCaffrey, Bryon Rees, James Lydeard, and 3 more

📍 Guernsey, Jersey

News

3 October 2022

Duties of Directors of Jersey Companies

Bruce MacNeil

Team: Katrina Edge, James Lydeard, Kate McCaffrey

📍 Jersey

30 September 2022

Top tier Ogier in Jersey leader in its field in Legal 500

Katrina Edge

Team: Bruce MacNeil, James Lydeard, Kate McCaffrey, Raulin Amy, Alexander Curry, Jonathan Hughes, and 29 more

📍 Jersey

News

3 February 2022

Considerations in relation to commercial landlords: a Jersey perspective

Kate McCaffrey

Team: Katrina Edge, James Lydeard, Bruce MacNeil

📍 Jersey

Insight

1 February 2022

Ogier promotes three new partners in Banking and Dispute Resolution teams

Raulin Amy

Team: James Angus, James Lydeard, Kate McCaffrey

📍 Jersey

News

Recognition

"Always very responsive and provide us and our clients with high quality advice with a strong commercial steer."

Legal 500 UK, 2024

"The experience has been first rate"

Client Feedback

"Rising star partner"

IFLR1000, 2023

"Next Generation Partner"

Legal 500 UK, 2023

"A seamless team and they know what a lender needs"

Legal 500 UK, 2022

"Rising Star"

Legal 500 UK, 2022

"James Lydeard is simply fantastic"

Legal 500 Caribbean, 2020

"Knowledgeable, responsive, and proactive about moving things towards the finish line"

Client feedback, 2018

"He was excellent"

Client feedback, 2018

"Excellent to work with, very responsive and extremely diligent"

Client feedback 2016