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Joel Cox has considerable experience advising on all aspects of public and private company M&A, equity capital markets transactions and private equity and venture capital transactions.

- Corporate

Joel regularly advises on complex cross border M&A, including regularly acting for US listed companies acquiring Australian companies. Joel also regularly advises on all types of corporate fundraising, including initial public offers on the Australian Stock Exchange.

Joel is one of Australia's most active advisors to technology companies of all sizes from start-ups through to multi-nationals and an advisor to many technology focused venture capital funds in the Asia Pacific region. This includes Joel advising many of Australia's fastest growing technology companies, including SaaS, financial services technology, ecommerce, consumer hardware, cloud, education technology and health technology companies.

Joel is also a leading Australian advisor to corporate venture funds and he works closely with Asia Pacific incubators and accelerators and with many angel investors.

- Advising technology multi-national companies on mergers and acquisitions, including advising US listed companies Amdocs Limited, Beckman Coulter Inc, Danaher Corporation Inc, HomeAway Inc and Iron Mountain Inc
- Advising on all aspects of equity capital markets transactions, including advising on all steps required for an initial public offer on the Australian Stock Exchange
- Advising private equity and venture capital funds on all aspects of portfolio investments and exits in Australia. This includes Joel working closely with most of Australia's leading venture capital funds
- Advising listed companies on corporate venture capital strategies and investments
- Advising fast growth Australian technology companies on all aspects of their fundraising and global growth strategies, including advising many of Australia's fastest growing SaaS, financial services technology, ecommerce and health technology companies
- Advising on management buy outs of ecommerce businesses from News Corp, Telstra, APN News & Media and Fairfax Media
- Advising European and Asian multi-nationals on complex cross border M&A, including advising Arytza AG, Fosun International, Keolis SA, LVMH Moet Hennessy Louis Vuitton SA, RPS Group plc and Singapore Technologies Telemedia Pte Ltd

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Victoria

Prior Experience

Joel qualified at DLA Piper in Australia in April 2005 and subsequently worked in India and Europe, before returning to DLA Piper in Australia in 2010.

Memberships

- Law Institute of Victoria
- Australian Private Equity and Venture Capital Association
- Member and legal advisor to Startup Victoria

INSIGHTS

Publications

Embracing Digital Evolution: Our new business report

14 September 2021

Our new report - *Embracing Digital Evolution* - shows how businesses can succeed in Industry 4.0, with contributions from digital revolutionaries such as Microsoft, Salesforce, Rolls-Royce and DocuSign.

COVID-19: Private equity and venture capital fund considerations (Australia)

17 April 2020

This article adds some local Australian considerations to the factors raised by our US colleagues in funds management. The coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic presents significant challenges for private equity and venture capital fund sponsors and investment managers- from additional risk disclosures being required, questions around fund sponsors' ability to refer to track record generated in different circumstances, through to daily operational issues like the difficulty of generating a reliable fund NAV where markets are disrupted, and the requirement to keep providing management services under difficult circumstances. We discuss some of them here.
