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James O'Donnell is a leading funds lawyer advising investors in, and sponsors of, private, international, closed-ended funds.

He is ranked as a Band One leading lawyer for investor representation in Chambers & Partners 2022.

He has advised in respect of numerous fund-related transactions for some of the most active and sophisticated market participants in the world, with investment sizes ranging to over US\$1 billion. His clients include funds of funds, sovereign wealth funds, banks, development finance institutions, pension plans, insurance companies and fund managers.

He has recently played a central role representing investors in relation to the widely reported USD13bn Abraaj collapse.

His experience includes fund formation, managed accounts, primary and secondary transactions, stapled secondaries, secondary directs and "GP for hire" arrangements.

He has a particular passion for impact and developmental investment and, in this regard, regularly represents members of the impact and DFI community (both individually and as syndicates) in respect of their investment activities.

His experience is truly global, including established markets such as North America and Europe, through to the Middle East, emerging markets including Africa and India and frontier markets including Somalia, Myanmar and Afghanistan.

- Corporate
- Real Estate
- Global Investment Funds

James has advised in respect of some of the largest fund-related transactions of their type, including one of the biggest non-syndicated secondary deals (transferring over USD1bn of commitments in over 40 different funds, managed by 17 leading asset managers) in European history. He has also advised on various separate account arrangements, including a number of large (USD250m to USD800m) separate accounts with some of the most renowned fund management firms in the world.

James has acted for a number of sponsors of closed ended investment funds, ranging from leading, established sponsors with fund commitments in excess of USD1bn, to start-up funds with commitments of USD10mln.

Cualificaciones profesionales

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

Experiencia previa

James trained at a "magic circle" law firm before practicing in the London office of a leading New York based private equity funds practice. He joined DLA Piper as a partner in 2013.

Formación

- University of Durham, BA Hons History

Asociaciones profesionales

- Emerging Markets Private Equity Association ("EMPEA")
- African Private Equity and Venture Capital Association ("AVCA")

NOVEDADES

Eventos

Próximamente

IPEM 2022

20-22 September 2022
IPEM 2022
Cannes

NOTICIAS

DLA Piper launches global, dedicated end-to-end Investment Management and Funds practice

11 November 2021

DLA Piper today announces the launch of a global, dedicated end-to-end Investment Management and Funds practice offering to support the entire investment management and investment funds value chain.
