



## James Leech

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James is a partner in our Corporate Finance & Securities and Business Law Groups. He regularly advises on a broad range of corporate, commercial, and business law matters with an emphasis on mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, securities, private equity, joint ventures, funds, and partnerships.

James has extensive experience in mergers and acquisitions of both public and private companies, prospectus offerings, private placement financings, transactions involving Capital Pool Companies, corporate governance and continuous disclosure obligations, and ongoing general corporate and commercial advice.

With a background in science, James has the problem solving capability and business acumen to understand the challenges and opportunities particular to a client's chosen industry. He provides counsel to clients in a broad range of sectors, including technology, cannabis, media, construction, manufacturing and development, health, and natural resources.

Prior to joining Torkin Manes, James previously practised at nationally recognized business law firms in Toronto.

### Expertise

- ▶ Business Law
- ▶ Cannabis Law
- ▶ Corporate Finance & Securities
- ▶ Franchise Law
- ▶ Mergers & Acquisitions
- ▶ Private Equity

### Publications & Presentations

- ▶ [Jan 26, 2021 | Article](#)  
To Co-Pack or Not to Co-Pack?  
*Business of Cannabis*
- ▶ [Jan 15, 2021 | Torkin Manes LegalWatch](#)  
New and Improved TSX-V Capital Pool Company (CPC) Program Rules Now in Effect
- ▶ [Nov 20, 2020 | Torkin Manes LegalPoint](#)  
CSA Publishes Proposed Amendments on Offering Memorandum Disclosure Requirements for Real Estate Activities

▶ [Apr 16, 2020 | Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\)](#)

TSX Venture Exchange Provides Relief to Issuers in Wake of COVID-19

## Memberships

- ▶ Canadian Bar Association
- ▶ Ontario Bar Association

## Credentials

- ▶ Called to the Ontario Bar, 2005

## Education

- ▶ Certificate in Mining Law, Osgoode Law School, 2012
- ▶ LL.B., University of Western Ontario Law School, 2004
- ▶ M.Sc., University of Western Ontario, 2004
- ▶ B.Sc., (with Honours) University of Western Ontario, 1999