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## James Angus

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## **Background and experience**

James advises and represents both institutional and individual clients in complex commercial and chancery matters. He has appeared in some of the largest pieces of litigation in Jersey in the past 10 years. James's expertise encompasses contentious trusts work, including actions for and against professional trustees, high-value shareholder disputes (and particularly the unfair prejudice regime), as well as proceedings brought by and against directors of Jersey companies.

In the insolvency and restructuring arena, James regularly appears for foreign (and local) insolvency practitioners and creditors in recognition and enforcement matters in Jersey, including complex asset recovery in corporate insolvencies. James has particular expertise as an advocate in Jersey schemes of arrangement (both shareholder and creditor) and has represented clients in a number of prominent schemes, including the two largest schemes of arrangement in Jersey history: Randgold Resources Limited's merger with Barrick Gold Corporation and Takeda Pharmaceutical's acquisition of Shire plc.

James regularly represents trustees in contentious trust law matters and applications under the Trusts (Jersey) Law 1984, including providing advice to trustees in respect of their duties in a cross-border context. In this area, his work at Ogier has included advising and appearing for clients in Court regarding:

• Hastings-Bass and mistake applications;

- Article 51 Trusts (Jersey) Law 1984 blessing applications for momentous trustee decisions;
- Article 47 Trusts (Jersey) Law 1984 applications to vary trusts;
- applications in relation to foreign proceedings impinging on Jersey trusts.

Since 2018, James has accepted instructions as external counsel to the newly formed Economic Crime and Confiscation Unit. In addition to that role, James also regularly advises private clients on regulatory and compliance related matters.

James read Classics with Linguistics as a Foundation Scholar at Queens' College, Cambridge. He was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 2012, to the Jersey Bar in 2015 and the Cayman Islands Bar in 2016.

#### Admitted in:

2012 - England and Wales (non-practising)

2015 - Jersey

2016 - Cayman Islands

### **Examples of work**

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Oliver Richardson

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Team: Oliver Richardson, James Angus, Oliver Passmore, Will Austin-Vautier, Chloe Watson-Hill

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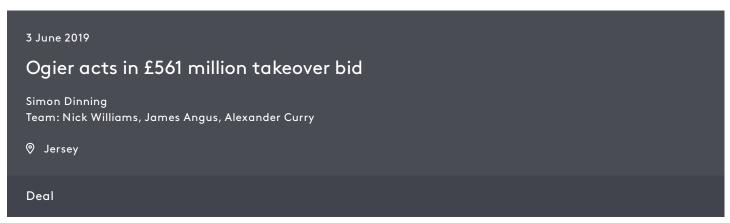
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Ogier advises on \$22.5 billion gold mining merger

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## Recognition

"Had a fantastic grasp of both the details of the case and at the same time maintained a good overview, which enabled his advice to be particularly valuable. When conducting the trial, his grasp of the detail was a very important factor in our success"

Legal 500 UK, 2023

"Next Generation Partner"

Legal 500 UK, 2023

"Good advocate"

Legal 500 UK, 2023

"Up and Coming"

Chambers UK, 2023

"Right on top of all the detail and comes up with good, practical advice"

Chambers UK, 2022

"Team of the Year - Litigation"

Citywealth IFC Awards 2022

"Associate to Watch"

Chambers UK, 2022

"Helpful and knowledgeable about local practice"

Legal 500 UK, 2022

"Detail-focused and also a persuasive advocate"

Legal 500 UK, 2021

"Top 35 Under 35"

ePrivateClient, 2021

"Top 35 Under 35"

ePrivateClient, 2020

"Top 35 Under 35"

ePrivateClient, 2019

"His advice was always accessibly expressed, thoroughly reasoned and sensible – his approach was equally rigorous in presenting the client's position to the Jersey court"

Client feedback 2018

"James engaged closely with me as instructing solicitor and directly with the client on a very sensitive family trust matter, and was engaging and responsive. I was particularly impressed with his ability to turn the matter round quickly and his commitment at a time when he was due to be on paternity leave!"

Client feedback 2018

"James' client interaction is strong. He comes across as personable, open and competent, as well as accessible and responsive"

Client feedback 2018

"James is clearly legally minded and enjoys the subject matter as well possessing the skills and knowledge to make considered judgement and advise clearly and succinctly. The advice we have received to date has been accurate and well assessed, resulting in success in court"