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James Morand is a partner in our Tax Group. His practice focuses on corporate tax, with particular expertise in capital markets, structured financial products, securitization, reorganizations, M&A (private and public), REITs, investment management and dispute resolution.

James acts for clients on innovative financial products, including income trusts, derivative instruments and asset securitizations. He also regularly advises on M&A transactions, with specific expertise in the income trust sector. In addition, James offers considerable experience in the reorganization of financially troubled companies and has advised on many significant restructurings.

An accomplished author, James has written numerous tax papers and commentaries for national and international publications including *Lexpert*, the *International Tax Review*, *CCH-Focus on Current Cases* and *European Counsel*. He is a member of the Canadian Tax Foundation and a former member of the Taxation Steering Committee of the Investment Funds Institute of Canada.

James is consistently recognized as a leader in his field by such prominent publications as *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*, *Best Lawyers in Canada* and *Chambers Global: The World's Leading Lawyers for Business*.

His recent experience includes representing:

- Anaconda Mining Inc. in its \$30 million acquisition of Orex Exploration Inc.
- Orla Mining Ltd. in its \$95 million business combination with Pershimco Resources Inc.
- Yamana Gold Inc. in its filing of a \$56.3 million preliminary prospectus relating to the spin-off of Brio Gold Inc.
- Kirkland Lake Gold Inc. in its US\$1 billion merger with Newmarket Gold Inc.
- Thompson Creek Metals Company Inc. in its US\$1.1 billion arrangement agreement with Centerra Gold Inc.
- Skeena Resources Inc. in its acquisition of Mount Rainy Silver Inc.
- NGEx Resources Inc. in its spin-out of the Filo Del Sol Project with Filo Mining Corp.

Achievements

- *Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory* 2016 (Asset Securitization; Derivative Instruments; Investment Funds)



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- *The Best Lawyers in Canada 2017-2020* (Tax)
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