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Biography

James Maltby is a partner in the London Restructuring & Special Situations team. He advises banks, bondholders and corporates on multi-stakeholder restructurings, in both cross-border and domestic situations. James also advises investment banks and funds on their distressed or special situation investing and debt trading generally.

James has significant experience of contingency planning work, enforcement strategies and both consensual and non-consensual restructuring solutions including schemes of arrangement and company voluntary arrangements. He also advises administrators on pre-packaged administration sales and trading insolvencies.

Representative experience

Advising the lenders on a debt restructuring and material equity stake (delivered through an enforcement) in pan-European pharmaceutical business, Famar Group

Advising the senior lender syndicate on the restructuring of facilities to and subsequent administration of major wholesale and distribution business, Palmer & Harvey

Advising lenders on the restructuring and sale through administration of listed drinks wholesaler, Conviviality plc

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Languages

English

Practices

Restructuring and Special Situations

Banking and Loan Finance

Industries

Automotive and Mobility

Consumer

Energy and Natural Resources

Financial Institutions

Real Estate

Technology and Telecoms

Private Capital

Advising lenders on the CVA and sale of restaurant chain, Gaucho

Advising the ad hoc committee of bondholders on the DIP financing and restructuring of Agrokor, a Croatian food producer/retailer

Advising the senior noteholder committee in the restructuring of Mriya Agro, a Ukrainian agricultural business

Acting for the liquidity facility and swap providers on the restructuring of a £1bn ground rent securitisation

Acting for the vendor on the sale of a portfolio of c.EUR5bn face value UK and Irish commercial real estate loans comprising 1000+ assets

Advising a debt fund on their participation in a new money injection into the restructuring of Spanish renewables giant, Abengoa

Advising the senior syndicate of lenders to Peacocks and Bon Marche and acting for the administrators on the subsequent trading administration and sale of over 900 stores

Advising lenders on the restructuring of facilities to Parabis / Plexus Law and subsequently the administrators on the pre-packaged sale of the firm

Advising FTI as joint administrators of the 2e2 Group

Advising the lenders on the restructuring of facilities provided to the UK's largest privately owned construction group

Advising lenders on the restructuring of facilities to the David Lloyd leisure group

Advising the co-ordinating committee on the restructuring and sale of Hampson Industries PLC

Advising a pan-European syndicate of lenders on the restructuring of facilities provided to part of the InterContinental Hotel group

Advising distressed and special situation investors on the acquisition, restructuring and enforcement of NPLs

Areas of focus

Direct Lending

Loan Portfolio and Distressed Debt Transactions

Oil and Gas: Pipelines and Midstream Facilities

Creditor Representation in Restructurings and Insolvencies

Cross-border Restructuring and Insolvency

Debtor Representation in Restructurings and Insolvencies

Education and admissions

Education

M.A., University of Cambridge

Accolades

"Smart and unflappable"

Legal 500 UK, 2019

Latest thinking and events

- News
  - Adler on Appeal – Adler plan set aside in first ever appeal of an English restructuring plan
- News
  - HMRC 2: 1 debtor - English Court refuses to sanction Nasmyth's restructuring plan cramming down HMRC
- Hogan Lovells Events
  - Hogan Lovells Bond Restructuring Series
- News
  - Fixed or floating? The English High Court considers the nature of security granted by Avanti
- News
  - "Root-and-branch attack" successfully defended: issues from the Adler sanction decision examined
- News
  - English court sanctions contested restructuring plan for the Adler Group