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James advises on a broad range of corporate and commercial, mergers and acquisitions, technology outsourcing and employment matters. In addition to Afridi & Angell in the UAE, James also practiced in Canada, in the Toronto office of a large global law firm.

James gained in-depth technology outsourcing experience while working as in-house counsel with one of Canada's leading technology outsourcing companies.

James's practice includes:

- advising on all aspects of the purchase or sale of businesses, including due diligence, structuring of the transaction, negotiation and documentation of the deal;
- advising on a broad range of commercial agreements and relationships, including franchise and license agreements, distribution agreements, technology use and development agreements, service and agency agreements, among many others;
- advising on the structuring and establishment of businesses in the UAE;
- advising on UAE employment matters, including within the UAE's various free zones; and
- advising on and negotiating technology and business process outsourcing agreements, and associated data, privacy and risk management issues.

Publications

- *The Restructuring Review 2014*, Law Reviews, (co-author of the UAE chapter)
- *Middle East Recovery Changes Legal Landscape*, The American Lawyer, October 2013
- *Data Protection and Privacy Laws - UAE Annual Review*, Financier Worldwide, September 2013

Areas of Practice

- Corporate and Commercial
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Technology, Media, and Telecommunications
- Franchising and Licensing
- Employment

Admissions and Affiliations

- Ontario Bar Association
- Canadian Bar Association
- Law Society of Upper Canada
- Canadian IT Law Association

Education

- LL.B., Queen's University, Canada, 2004
- Bachelor of Business Administration, Siam University, Thailand, 2001

Languages

- English

- *Bankruptcy and Insolvency in the UAE: Legal Framework*, Corporate LiveWire, March/April 2013
- *Restructuring and Insolvency in Dubai*, Lawyer Monthly, January 2013
- *Cloud Computing - Key Issues to Consider in Service Agreements*, Global Business Magazine, June 2012