

## **James Gray**

### Lawyer

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#### **OVERVIEW**

James is a lawyer in the Antitrust, Competition, and Trade Regulation group in the Sydney office.

James joined K&L Gates in 2021 and rotated through the Policy and Regulatory, Real Estate (Property) and Corporate (Commercial Technology & Sourcing) teams during his graduate year.

James focuses on advising clients on all aspects of competition and consumer law in Australia. He has experience on a broad range of competition and consumer law matters, including: merger clearance, criminal cartel contraventions and advising on compliance with the Australian Consumer Law.

#### **EDUCATION**

LL.B., Macquarie University, 2020

#### **ADMISSIONS**

Supreme Court of New South Wales

#### THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 12 April 2024, Government Announces Australia to Have a Mandatory and Suspensory Merger Control Regime
- 12 March 2024, Cost of Living, Sustainability and the Digital Economy: ACCC Releases Its 2024-25
  Compliance and Enforcement Priorities
- 17 January 2024, Australian Unfair Contract Terms Laws and International Business: High Court Finds Global Contract Subject to Australian Laws and Class Action Waiver Clause to be Unfair
- 10 November 2023, Expanded Unfair Contract Terms Regime Has Commenced Are You Compliant?
- 20 July 2023, The ACCC's Eight Commandments for Environmental and Sustainability Claims and Avoiding Greenwashing and Breaches of the Australian Consumer Law

# **K&L GATES**

- 28 March 2023, Pricing and Selling of Essential Services, Greenwashing, Unfair Contract Terms, Among the ACCC's 2023-24 Compliance and Enforcement Priorities
- 3 March 2023, So You're Green Prove It or Be Prosecuted: ACCC Sweep Finds 57% of Green Claims "Concerning"
- 27 September 2022, One Size Does Not Fit All: Court Declares 38 Terms in Fujifilm Small Business Contracts to be Unfair and Void
- 23 August 2022, The Government Ramps up Penalties for Competition and Consumer Law Breaches -AU\$50 Million or 30% Turnover for Companies and AU\$2.5 Million for Individuals
- 21 July 2022, Greater Penalties for Competition Breaches and Unfair Terms, Responsiveness to Super Complaints: The Labor Government's Approach to Competition & Consumer Laws
- 8 March 2022, Greenwashing, Digital Advertising and Platform Issues, Financial Services and Consumer Guarantees: What the ACCC's 2022/23 Priorities Mean for Your Business

#### **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

- "The Australian Government Ramps up Penalties for Competition and Consumer Law Breaches AU\$50 Million or 30% Turnover for Companies and AU\$2.5 Million for Individuals," Kluwer Competition Law Blog, August 2022
- "An offer you can't refuse: big changes coming to the Unfair Contract Terms regime," Law Society Journal, 8 April 2022

#### **AREAS OF FOCUS**

Antitrust, Competition, and Trade Regulation