



Kane Barnett

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OVERVIEW

Kane Barnett has extensive experience advising Australian and international clients on fund formation, investments in funds, and investments by and transactions involving funds. He advises across a broad range of asset classes, including listed and unlisted real estate, infrastructure and private equity funds. Kane regularly assists foreign investors with structuring their investments in Australian infrastructure and real estate assets. His experience also includes advising on major strategic corporate transactions, including mergers and acquisitions of listed and unlisted funds and fund managers, and initial public offerings and secondary raisings by listed entities.

He also provides advice to clients on the Australian regulatory regime and accessing the Australian market in general.

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the firm, Kane worked at multinational law firms in Sydney, and Singapore where he advised on a number of private fund matters for Singaporean, Chinese, European and Middle Eastern clients.

PROFESSIONAL / CIVIC ACTIVITIES

- Law Society of New South Wales member

EDUCATION

- Diploma in Applied Finance & Investment, FINSIA Financial Services Institute of Australasia, 2005
- B.Com, University of Wollongong, 1999 (*Finance*)
- LL.B., University of Wollongong, 1999 (*Honours*)

ADMISSIONS

- Supreme Court of New South Wales

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP POWERED BY HUB

- 8 September 2020, Foreign Financial Services Providers Update (*Alerts/Updates*)
- 1 September 2020, COVID-19: Update on Government and Regulator Responses for Superannuation Funds and Fund Managers (*Alerts/Updates*)
- 6 May 2020, COVID-19: (Australia) Government and Regulator Responses for Superannuation Funds and Fund Managers (Updated) (*Alerts/Updates*)
- 7 April 2020, COVID-19: (Australia) Government and Regulator Responses for Superannuation Funds and Fund Managers (*Alerts/Updates*)
- February 2020, Investment Management Regulation 2020 - What's New and on the Horizon for the Year Ahead (*Webinar*)

NEWS & EVENTS

- 8 October 2019, K&L Gates Welcomes Sydney Financial Services Partner (*Press Release, Practice & Regional News*)

AREAS OF FOCUS

- Asset Management and Investment Funds
- Global Distribution
- Global Financial Services Regulation
- Hedge Funds
- Institutional Investors
- Investment Funds
- Payments, Banking Regulation, and Consumer Financial Services
- Private Equity Funds
- Real Estate Funds

INDUSTRIES

- Financial Services
- Fintech

REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

- Advising Alceon on the formation of the Alceon Australian Real Estate Corporate Senior Loan Fund.
- Advising China Merchants Capital on its co-investment in Propertylink Australian Logistics Trust II.
- Advising AXA Investment Management on its investment in a perpetual core fund and joint venture with ESR and a sovereign wealth fund.
- Advising an investor in Australia's largest debut private equity fund BGH Capital Fund I.
- Advising a sovereign wealth fund on its investment in the CSIRO Innovation Fund.
- Advising a sovereign wealth fund in relation to its joint venture to establish a platform to acquire a portfolio of affordable living communities.
- Advising a sovereign wealth fund as the underbidder for the Lendlease retirement village business.
- Advising the underbidder to acquire Clearview Wealth.
- Advising a Middle Eastern sovereign wealth fund on its investment in a China focused real estate fund.
- Advising a European pension fund on its investments in China focused real estate funds.
- Advising on the acquisition of ING Industrial Fund by a Goldman Sachs led consortium for IIF by trust scheme.
- Advising an international hedge fund on its bid for over 60 distressed loans secured by commercial, residential, industrial, retail and other specialist property held by Lloyds subsidiaries in Australia.