

Rachel Kelly

Partner

Johannesburg

Biography

Rachel Kelly focuses on corporate and commercial law, including mergers and acquisitions, the negotiation and preparation of a wide range of commercial agreements, due diligence investigations and reports, providing legal opinions, advising on and assisting clients with B-BBEE compliance and transactions, and corporate structures (including trusts).

She acts as lead attorney for many local and international companies in transactions involving acquisitions or disposals and corporate restructures.

In addition, Rachel assists international clients to set up businesses in South Africa. This includes advice on financing, exchange control and regulatory approvals.

Her clients include multinationals in retail, IT, insurance, banking, mining, and the pharmaceutical industry.

Representative experience

Advised the Hollard Group in respect of its acquisition of the Regent Insurance Group.

Lead professional to South32 in respect of its disposal of its Bayside cashouse operations.

Assisted Nando's in respect of its acquisition of the business of McCormick Condiments.

Advised Lapalala Wilderness in respect of the



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Languages

English

Practices

Commercial

Corporate

Mergers and Acquisitions

Joint Ventures

Complex Contracting

Corporate Governance

Consumer Law

Aviation Law

Investigations, White Collar Crime,
and Fraud

establishment of the Lapalala Game Reserve.

Assisted Capricorn Fund Managers and its shareholders in respect of the Anchor Group's acquisition of a stake in CFM.

Advised Hollard in respect of the formation of MotoVantage, its joint venture with FirstRand Bank.

Assisted Safair with a corporate restructure and assisted with the obtaining of its domestic passenger licence.

Awards and rankings

- Recognised in, *The Best Lawyers in South Africa for Corporate Law*, 2016-2019
- Recognised in, *Legal 500 Commercial, Corporate and M&A*, 2019

Latest thinking and events

- Published Works
 - Considering the ownership element of the Draft Broad-Based Socio-Economic Empowerment Charter for the Mining and Minerals Industry 2018 *Polity*
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Publication of the Draft Broad-Based Socio-Economic Empowerment Charter for the Mining and Minerals Industry 2018 *Mining Alert 1*
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - What can we expect now from the BEE Commissioner?
- Publications
 - Major BEE ownership transactions must be registered by 8 August 2017

Insurance

Transportation

Industries

Consumer

Diversified Industrials

Energy and Natural Resources

Insurance

TMT

Areas of focus

Pension Issues Connected With Business Critical Reorganizations

Company Formation

Corporate and Commercial Transactions

Corporate Group Structures

Corporate Trusts

Management Incentive Plans

M&A and Joint Ventures

Food and Beverages

Governance

Insurance and Reinsurance Arrangements and Finance

Labor and Employment Matters in Education Institutions

Trustee Good Decision Making

Education and admissions

Education

LL.B., University of Cape Town, 2001

B.Com., University of Cape Town,
1998

Memberships

Admitted as notary

Court admissions

South Africa
