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James is a partner that has worked extensively in the Ottawa, Toronto, and Waterloo technology communities since 1998. His practice focuses on corporate, securities and commercial law, and has included public and private financings and mergers and acquisitions transactions for a broad range of emerging enterprises.

Recently, James completed a Master's degree in venture-backed firm corporate governance at the University of Toronto Law School through its Capital Markets Institute.

James supports a number of technology and innovation clusters and initiatives, including Ottawa and Waterloo bar camps and startup camps and the Technology Venture Challenge. He is also a regular speaker and attendee at events sponsored by Invest Ottawa (formerly OCRI), Communitech in Waterloo, and MaRS in Toronto.

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