

# Ben Kiernan-Green

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## OVERVIEW

Ben is a senior associate in the Corporate/M&A team in Perth. His practice focuses on mergers and acquisitions, corporate structuring, foreign investment, private equity and venture capital, debt financing, and transactions in the resources space.

Ben advises clients across a broad range of industries including transport and logistics, agribusiness, technology, mining and mining services and those in the professional services industry. He also advises sporting bodies and organisations on governance, structuring, licencing and contracting arrangements.

Ben has been recognised in *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Australia*™ since 2025.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- Listed in *The Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch in Australia*™ for Corporate Law, 2025-2027

## EDUCATION

- Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice, College of Law, 2018
- B.Com, University of Western Australia, 2017
- LL.B., University of Western Australia, 2017

## ADMISSIONS

- High Court of Australia
- Supreme Court of Western Australia

## THOUGHT LEADERSHIP *POWERED BY HUB*

- 17 October 2024, Proposed Amendments to the Associations Incorporations Act 2015
- 1 April 2022, Russia-Ukraine Sanctions in Australia
- 3 May 2017, K&L Gates hosts FinTech event in Perth

## NEWS & EVENTS

- 12 October 2026, K&L Gates Advises WGA Group Holdings on Sale to AtkinsRéalis
- 16 April 2026, More Than 80 K&L Gates Lawyers Across Asia-Pacific Recognised in 2027 Best Lawyers, Ones to Watch Editions
- 14 April 2025, K&L Gates Advises Dash Living on Majority Investment of up to US$150 Million by Hillhouse Investment's Rava Partners
- 22 December 2022, K&L Gates Advises Leading ESG Tracking Platform Provider on Series A Capital Raising
- 03 December 2020, K&L Gates Acts for Duratec on Western Australia's Largest IPO in 2020

## OTHER MEDIA MENTIONS

- FairSupply completes Series A cap raise, *LawyersWeekly.com.au*, 18 January 2023
- Mentioned, "K&L Gates helps ESG tracking and reporting platform secure financing," *Australasian Lawyer*, 11 January 2023

## AREAS OF FOCUS

- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Capital Markets
- Corporate and Acquisition Finance
- Corporate Governance
- Debt Capital Markets
- Public Companies

## INDUSTRIES

- Consumer Goods and Services
- Energy

- Mining, Minerals, and Metals
- Sports

## REPRESENTATIVE EXPERIENCE

### Mergers and Acquisitions

- Advised MEDLOG, an affiliate of the Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC), on its acquisitions of a provider of integrated logistics services across road, rail, and warehousing; the LINX Regional Logistics Group from Brookfield Infrastructure Partners; the LINX Regional Logistics Group; a transport and logistics services business in New South Wales; a shipping container business in South Australia; and a strategic leasehold interest in Western Australia.
- Advised CLS Group (Collecte Localisation Satellites) on the acquisition of the NGIS Group.
- Advised Dash Living, a Hong Kong-based rental housing platform, on a majority investment of up to US$150 million by Rava Partners, the real assets investment arm of global investment firm Hillhouse Investment.
- Advised Lucapa Diamond Company Limited (ASX: LOM) on the acquisition of the Merlin Diamond Project from the liquidators of Merlin Diamonds Limited.
- Advised Hexagon AB on its acquisition of iConstruct Pty Ltd (a provider of building information modelling software).
- Advised a private buyer on its acquisition of an electrical manufacturing business.
- Advised a private buyer on its acquisition of three separate ice manufacturing and distribution businesses.
- Advised Ionic Rare Earths Limited (ASX: IXR) on the acquisition of an additional 34% interest in Rwenzori Rare Metals Limited, which owns the Makuutu Rare Earths Project in Uganda.
- Advised Ionic Rare Earths Limited (ASX: IXR) on its acquisition of UK-based rare earths separation technology company Seren Technologies Limited.
- Advised DDR Australia (a supply nation accredited incorporated joint venture between Duratec Limited (ASX: DUR) and Dundee Rock) on its acquisition of RC Construction, a mining services business.
- Advised Azure Minerals Limited (ASX: AZS) on its divestment of mining assets in Mexico to Canada-based Bendito Resources for consideration of up to AU$20 million.
- Advising an Austria-based manufacturer and mining company on the acquisition of an industrial mineral project comprising multiple mining tenements and pieces of agricultural land in Western Australia, and associated approval from the Foreign Investment Review Board.
- Advised Southern Cross Electrical Engineering Limited (ASX: SXE) on its acquisition of the Trivantage group of companies for an enterprise value of up to AU$53.5 million.
- Advised DRA Global Limited on the sale of assets and business of G&S Engineering to KAEFER.

- Advised CoinFlip Enterprises LLC on its entry into the Australian market and the acquisition of an Australian cryptocurrency ATM business.
- Advised Canada-based Nomad Royalty Company Ltd (now Sandstorm Gold Ltd) as secured creditor in connection with the administration and sale of Heron Resources Limited (and subsidiaries) to DEVELOP Global Limited (ASX: DVP) under a DOCA for upfront consideration of AU$30 million.
- Advised Tenancy WA Incorporated on a fully pro-bono basis in relation to its merger under the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015* (WA) with the Employment Law Centre and The Humanitarian Group to form Circle Green Community Legal Centre.
- Advised Midland Women's Health Care Place on a fully pro-bono basis in relation to its merger under the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015* (WA) with Nardine Wimmins Refuge Inc.

## Private Equity, Venture Capital, Finance

- Advised Fair Supply Analytics on all aspects of its Series A capital raising led by AirTree Ventures, with participation from Tidal, the Minderoo Foundation, and Queensland Investment Corporation.
- Advised Fair Supply Analytics in relation to its Series A follow-on round led by Five V, with participation from AirTree and QIC.
- Advised BetterLabs, an early-stage venture capital fund backed by RAC WA, in relation to its Series A investment in WeMoney.
- Advised SWAN Systems in connection with its Series A raising (and follow-on round) led by PureTerra Ventures.
- Advised an ASX-listed mining client in relation to its financing, gold swap, and hedging arrangements comprising two tranches: AU$21 million Prepayment Agreement; and US$42 million Facility Agreement.
- Advised Collins Street Asset Management as financier in connection with a number of secured convertible note transactions, including secured convertible note financing of Matrix Composites & Engineering Ltd (ASX: MCE) and secured convertible note financing of GBM Resources Limited (ASX: GBZ).
- Advised a San Francisco, California-based investment advisory firm, RIVI Opportunity Fund, LP, in relation to its precious metal streaming investments in Australia, including gold and silver streaming financing of NQ Minerals PLC's acquisition of the Hellyer Gold Mine in Tasmania; and gold streaming financing of a private Australian company's acquisition and development of mineral properties and a treatment plant in Queensland.

## Sports

- Advised WA Cricket on its negotiations on the Perth Stadium Hire Agreement.
- Advised Port to Pub in relation to the hosting of the Port to Pub open water swim (in each year since 2022).
- Advised WA Football in relation to the funding and licencing arrangements with clubs in relation to the WAFL and WAFLW.
- Advised WA Football in relation to the establishment of the WAFLW.

- Advised a peak sporting body in Western Australia in relation to the reform of community junior sport, involving the amalgamation of a number of bodies under the *Associations Incorporation Act 2015* (WA).