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## **BIOGRAPHY**

James English is a member of the firm's Energy, Environment & Infrastructure practice group, and is a trusted advisor to clients navigating the complexities of international and domestic energy infrastructure projects. He focuses his practice on the development, financing, and operation of infrastructure projects in the upstream, midstream and downstream oil & gas, mining, and petrochemical sectors as well as electrification and EV projects, battery storage, and fleet conversion. James also routinely advises clients on acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures, and upstream transactions globally. James is also an industry leading lawyer in commodity marketing and trading, with a particular emphasis on natural gas, LNG, and environmental attributes. James served as the lead co-chair in the AIEN's recent publication of a model form LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement.

In his practice he drafts and negotiates the project documents required for every stage of a project's life cycle from the initial investment, construction, commercial operations, and decommissioning. James' experience covers a wide range of complex development and commercial contracts, including host government instruments, joint ventures, supply, offtake, tolling, acquisitions, divestment, trades, credit support, site services, facility sharing, transportation, and numerous other industry-tailored agreements. Projects have ranged in capital requirements from approximately \$10 million to \$2 billion. He also has an industry-leading on-the-ground international background, having worked in upwards of fifty developed and developing countries across Africa, Asia, Australasia, and Latin America.

James guides corporate clients and public entities in the electrification of their facilities including behind-the-meter energy use reduction solutions. He has served as lead counsel in conjunction with the rollout of EV charging, battery storage, and on site solar to a combined 3,000 retail locations, including the negotiation of power purchase agreements, EPC arrangements, REC trading, warranty structuring, SaaS licensing, and vendor legal strategy. With fleet electrification, James has assisted companies in all stages of program rollouts, including vehicle purchase, leasing, facility installations, and warranty structuring. He also assists operators of greenfield generation and shared site behind-the-meter battery solar projects and battery storage amounting to approximately 1020 MW of installed capacity.

James has notable experience in the acquisition, divestiture, and upstream transactions, emphasized on the buying, and selling of assets and joint ventures. He regularly assists companies on cumulative transactions over \$10 billion, focusing on domestic and international upstream transactions, pipeline and midstream assets, downstream petrochemical infrastructure, industrial materials, and mining assets.

Prior to joining BCLP, James earned industry experience as an international negotiator at Anadarko Petroleum Corporation. His responsibilities included deepwater transactions and new ventures in Asia Pacific, Africa, Australasia, Canada, and the Caribbean. James also worked extensively with natural gas commercialization and marketing projects in West Africa, East Africa, Central Asia, Trinidad, Australia, and New Zealand.

#### **ADMISSIONS**

- Texas, 2017
- Colorado, 2009

### **EDUCATION**

University of Illinois, J.D., 2008

- Baylor University, M.A., Honors, 2004
- Baylor University, B.A., Honors, 2003

#### RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

- Infrastructure
- Energy Transition
- Food & Agribusiness
- Oil, Gas and LNG
- Zero Emission Vehicles & Charging Infrastructure
- Commodities, Futures & Derivatives

### **RESOURCES**

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

- Author, "Analysis-Exxon clash with Chevron hinges on change of control of Hess' Guyana asset, sources say | The Mighty 790 KFGO | KFGO" Reuters (2024)
- Author, "Clark Hill 2023 Automotive & Manufacturing Industry Outlook: Electric Vehicles Update" JD Supra (August 2023)
- Author, "Clark Hill 2023 Automotive & Manufacturing Industry Outlook: Electric Vehicles" JD Supra (March 2023)
- Author, "Development of Charging Station Infrastructure in Light of Changes To Alternative Fuel Vehicle Refueling Property Language in the Inflation Reduction Act" JD Supra (2022)
- Author, "Master LNG Sale and Purchase Agreements: Making Sense of the Available Model Forms | Texas Lawyer" Law.com (2020)
- Author, "Vital to Title Survival: Title Issues for Midstream Companies" NFREL Journal (2019)
- Author, "The AIPN GSA, MSA, and Long-Term LNG Sales" (2018)
- Author, "7 Natural Gas Industry Agreements in 10 Minutes" (2018)

#### SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Presenter, Clark Hill Webinar, "Preparing for Clean Energy Tax Credit Transfer Transactions" (May 2024)
- Presenter, AIEN Seminar at NAPE 2024, "LNG SPA Model Contract An in depth legal/commercial review" (February 2024)
- Presenter, AIEN Seminar at NAPE 2023, "Gas in the Energy Transition" (January 2023)
- Presenter, AIEN Live Webinar, "Update on the AIPN LNG Sale and Purchase Agreement" (October 2020)
- Presenter, AIEN Model Contracts Workshop, "Upcoming New Models on Natural Gas",
  "Proposals from AIPN Members for New Models" (October 2019)
- Presenter, AIEN US Chapter Luncheon, "How to Avoid Partner Disputes: Lessons of Dispute Resolution" (September 2019)
- Presenter, AIPN Model Contracts Workshop, "Gas Sales Agreement, LNG Master SPA, and New Supplemental Gas Focused Agreements" (September 2018)
- Presenter, NAPE Business Conference, "Deal Making in a Changing Market" (March 2017)
- Webinar, AIPN University CLE Course, "Joint Venture Management," (2016)
- Moderator, AIPN International Petroleum Summit (May 2016)
- Guest Lecturer, Thurgood Marshall School of Law, "Upstream Oil and Gas Agreements" (2015)
- Guest Lecturer, Colorado School of Mines, "Business Development and Negotiations" (2015)
- Presenter, AIPN National Oil Company Conference, "Structuring Unconventional and Deepwater Oil & Gas Contracts," (2013)
- Guest Lecturer, University of Denver College of Law, "Damages in International Arbitration" (2010)

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