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## Our story

A number of years ago, we decided that we could change the way legal services are delivered. That we could do them better. At gunnercooke, we believe the potential of our clients and our people rests with our ability to free the law and make it work as it should. Today, we attract passionate lawyers and advise with authority: every gunnercooke lawyer has a minimum 10,000 hours practising experience.

Flexibility, transparency and freedom guide everything we do. Flexibility for our people to work how they want. Transparency of cost for our clients because we removed time recordings and billable hours. Freedom for our people and clients to achieve their personal and professional aspirations.

We work with clients that believe tradition is there to be tested, not obeyed. Working together, we help them seek opportunities and push the boundaries of what's possible.

Providing a suite of corporate and commercial legal services, gunnercooke is one of the UK's fastest-growing challenger brands. Proud of what we have achieved, committed to doing more.



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## Overview What he's best at

James is a very experienced insolvency and restructuring lawyer with over 26 years' expertise in the "insolvency industry". He has advised stakeholders from all aspects of insolvency – from banks, insolvency

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practitioners and suppliers, to victims of financial misfeasance and directors with serious financial problems. Over the last 8 years James has had a particular focus on advising SMEs, directors and individuals in proceedings against banks, insolvency practitioners and The Insolvency Service. Since Insolvency Law is so varied, James also has experience of advising businesses on their corporate set up, financing, structure, acquisitions and protecting assets. In addition, he advises



on issues relating to contractual disputes, litigation, intellectual property and shareholder disputes. James also advises a number of businesses generally relating to corporate and commercial matters.

#### Who he works for

- SMEs and shareholders and directors thereof
- Investors, Venture Capitalists and turnaround professionals on acquisitions
- Directors of companies in financial difficulty
- Directors threatened with disqualification
- Insolvency practitioners taking action against banks and asset based lenders
- Debtors, bankrupts and their partners

### **Experience Highlights**

- Advising shareholders and directors in a leisure group restructuring.
- Advising the Trustees of a £60m charity on emergency administration.
- Advising venture capitalist investors on the acquisition of an internet gaming platform.
- Resisting claims by Trustees in Bankruptcy against the assets of a family business.
- Advising a farming family on the major restructuring and refinancing of their land.
- Advising the directors of numerous retail groups on claims made against them by liquidators.