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PRACTICES Corporate, Capital Markets and Securities, Mergers and Acquisitions, Investment Management, International

Edward Baker is a partner in the Corporate Practice Group in Haynes Boone's London office.

Edward has a depth of experience in both private and public mergers and acquisitions (M&A), equity capital markets and advisory matters.

He spent two years on secondment to the Panel on Takeovers and Mergers and has experience on Takeover Code-related matters, advising bidders, targets, asset managers, investment banks and shareholders (both institutional and private).

Edward has acted for both buyers and sellers on numerous private M&A transactions, many of which have been cross-border. He is a team player with a proven track record of originating and delivering both complex and simple transactions in the U.K. and internationally.

QUALIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

• Law Degree, College of Law Guildford, 1992

ADMISSIONS

• England and Wales

SELECTED CLIENT REPRESENTATIONS

- Acted for the Independent Director of Global Ports Holding plc ("GPH") on the offer by Global Ports Holding B.V. which valued the entire issued and to be issued share capital of GPH at approximately US\$310 million on a fully diluted basis
- Acted for Lease Operators Ltd on its successful £26.4 million competitive bid for Trinity Exploration & Production Plc

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- Acted for SmartSpace Software Plc on its £28.35 million recommended takeover by Welcome UK Bidco Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Sign In Solutions Inc
- Acted for Shanta Gold Limited on its acquisition by Saturn Resources Limited, a subsidiary of ETC Holdings (Mauritius) Limited, through a court-approved scheme of arrangement under Guernsey law which valued Shanta's issued share capital at £156.1 million.
- Acted for Growthpoint Properties Limited, South Africa's largest REIT, on its investments in Capital & Regional plc, including by way of simultaneous partial offer and subscription.
- Acted for a global investment bank on its cash confirmation obligations on a takeover offer.

Some of these representations were handled by Edward prior to joining Haynes Boone.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

• Recognized in *The Legal 500 UK*, Legalese, Corporate and Commercial, 2025