

Wayne Murray

Director



Wayne Murray is a Director in our Corporate & Commercial practice. Wayne has worked across a wide range of commercial transactions in merger and acquisitions and in financial services.

About Wayne

He began serving his articles of clerkship at Norton Rose (as it then was) in July 2012 and was admitted as an attorney in January 2015 and continued working at Norton Rose Fulbright as an Associate in the commercial department. He was appointed Associate at Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr in 2016 and promoted to Senior Associate in 2018. Wayne was appointed Director in 2022.

Credentials

Education

- LLB, University of Cape Town
- Year of admission as an attorney: 2014
- Registered with the Legal Practice Council

Experience

• Tenneco Inc

Advised Tenneco Inc in the due diligence phase of its acquisition of the exhaust division of the Eberspacher group in South Africa.

• Sun Capital Partners

Advised Sun Capital Partners in the due diligence phase of its acquisition of the Finlays horticulture group of companies in South Africa.

• AfriCap Microfinance

Advised AfriCap Microfinance Investment Company on the disinvestment in its Mauritian holdings and the winding up of its South African operation.

• Investec

Assisted Investec with the South African regulatory aspects of the registrations of five investment companies set up for the retention of capital, which are incorporated in Guernsey and listed on the Bermudan stock exchange whose shares were offered to South Africans and also assisted with the structuring and set up of a South African infrastructure investment and development fund.

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Expertise

[Corporate & Commercial Law](#)

Location

Cape Town

Language

English

- **Bahrain Middle East Bank**

Assisted the Bahrain Middle East Bank, BSC with the acquisition and then disposal of a South African debt factoring entity and its subsidiary.

- **TriAlpha Asset Management**

Assisted TriAlpha Asset Management with advice regarding the regulatory regime applicable to the disposal of assets regulated by the JSE Listings Requirements, its Rules, and the Financial Market Act.

- **GAIA Infrastructure Partners**

Provided GAIA Infrastructure Partners with regulatory advice and then assisted with the refinancing of debt held by several companies invested in renewable energy generation projects.

- **Kouga Wind Farm**

Assisted the shareholders of Red Cap Investments and Eurocape Renewables with the disposal of their interests in the company which operates the Kouga Wind Farm.

News

[Trends in the private equity sector in 2021](#)

In late August 2020, we published an article entitled "Emerging trends in the private equity industry in the post-pandemic environment" in which we touched on mitigation strategies that the private equity fund industry used to adapt to the economic crisis created by the COVID-19 pandemic.

[Emerging trends in the private equity industry in the post-pandemic environment](#)

When the harsh economic consequences of the COVID-19 pandemic began to take effect, we published an article which explained some mitigation strategies the private equity fund industry learned during the global financial crisis of 2008/09 for valuing portfolio assets in private equity funds during economic crises.

[Private equity funds – Mitigation strategies for valuations during crisis](#)

The spread of the COVID-19 disease has had a very rapid and deeply disruptive effect on the global economy. It is highly uncertain what the full effect of the spread of the disease will be in the medium-term and in the long-term, especially given that the immediate effects are still rippling through markets. However, everyone can reasonably expect that those effects will be significant and long-lasting.

[The applicability of the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act to cryptocurrency assets](#)

Recently, we have been approached by several people who wanted to know how and whether South African financial services legislation applies to persons who wish to provide advice to third parties who are interesting in investing in cryptocurrencies. Specifically, they want to know whether or not they need to be licensed as "financial services providers" in terms of the Financial Advisory and Intermediary Services Act, 2002 (FAIS).

[Do foreign financial services providers need to register as external companies?](#)

The Financial Services Board (FSB) sent a letter dated 6 September 2017 to its registered foreign financial services providers (FSPs) advising them that it had come to the attention of the FSB that certain foreign FSPs conducting financial services related business in South Africa (also referred to as the Republic below in quoted legislation) are not registered as external companies in the country. According to the FSB, this registration is required in terms of s23 of the Companies Act, No 71 of 2008 (Companies Act).

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Recognition

- Legal 500 EMEA
 - The Legal 500 EMEA 2024 listed Wayne as a next generation partner for investment funds.
 - The Legal 500 EMEA 2019-2023 listed Wayne as a rising star for investment funds.