



Jaco Meyer

Senior Associate

Jaco Meyer is a Senior Associate in our Corporate & Commercial practice. Jaco focuses on mergers and acquisitions, corporate and commercial transactions, black economic empowerment transactions, company law and corporate governance.

Jaco has experience in advising on the acquisition and divestment of companies and businesses in South Africa and Australia, including due diligence and the corporate and commercial aspects regarding implementation of those transactions.

Practice areas


Corporate & Commercial


Sectors


Insurance Law

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Career

Jaco joined Cliffe Dekker Hofmeyr in April 2020. He was previously at a multinational firm in Melbourne, Australia.

Jaco was appointed Senior Associate in 2021.

Experience

- Advising on merger and acquisition transactions and drafting and negotiating merger and acquisition transaction agreements.
- Advising on company law and general commercial and corporate matters.
- Advising on general commercial and corporate matters and drafting general commercial agreements.
- Drafting transaction agreements relating to the implementation of BEE ownership structures

Notable M&A and transactional work:

South Africa

- Advised a 51% black-owned coal mining company on:
 - the acquisition of various mining and prospecting rights in South Africa; and
 - the acquisition of a Build-Own-Operate-and-Transfer beneficiation and coal wash plant.

- Advised a multinational metal alloys and other metallurgical products company on:
 - the disposal of its non-core assets (timber farms) used in connection with its silicon smelter; and
 - its empowerment restructure.
- Advised a multinational information technology and defence systems company on the equity financing of its South African subsidiary.
- Advised one of South Africa's largest book retailers regarding the carve-out of a portion of its business (in respect of a specific O.R. Tambo International Airport tender) and the subsequent empowerment of that stand-alone business.

Australia

- Advised a family group comprising 17 companies and 10 trusts valued at approximately AUD84 million, on the division of its real property portfolio between various beneficiaries.
- Advised a telecommunications company listed on the ASX on the acquisition of the entire issued share capital of three other private telecommunications companies as part of its strategic growth plan.
- Advised a multinational pharmaceuticals company on its license and supply agreement with another company for an exclusive license to commercialise its intellectual property in the USA. In terms of the agreement, the company received payments and milestone fees in equity and cash for an amount of at least USD295 million.

Education

- Non-Award Undergraduate | Australian Catholic University | 2019
- Postgraduate Certificate: *Advanced Company Law I* | University of the Witwatersrand | 2018
- Bachelor of Laws (*cum laude*) | North-West University | 2015
- Enrolled with the Legal Practice Council

Membership

- Golden Key Honour Society

Languages

English