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Keith is the head of our corporate and commercial department. He began his career with the global law firm, Dentons, where he spent four years. Prior to joining 3CS, Keith spent seven years with Thomson Snell & Passmore - the world's oldest operating law firm - where he was a corporate and commercial partner.

With over 25 years' experience in all areas of corporate and commercial law, Keith provides added depth to 3CS's corporate proposition – particularly in the M&A and investment fields. Keith has acted for a wide range of clients in a number of sectors, including financial services, insurance, media, retail, technology, life sciences and property.

Specialisms & expertise

- Mergers and acquisitions / Joint ventures and shareholder agreements
- Partnerships / Corporate restructuring
- Debt and equity funding / Share options / Commercial contracts

Recent and previous work includes advising on:

- a software solutions provider on its sale to a private equity backed group
- an IT support provider on its management buy out
- an engineering business on its sale to an overseas private equity backed group
- a digital security software group on its sale to and subsequent exit from a Japanese parent, advising the exited group on rounds of private equity investment
- a legal entity identifier business from start-up to one of the world's leading issuers of LEIs
- on GLEIF rules relating to legal entity identifiers and structuring related commercial agreements
- an architects' firm on joint venture development contracts
- an insurance broker on a series of broker acquisitions
- a document template software provider on its sale to a US private equity backed group
- a medical malpractice insurance business on its sale
- an international logistics provider on commercial contracts for the movement of sporting goods
- an EMI share option scheme for a technology business
- a seed capital investment in renewable energy
- a website and software development contract for an international bicycle manufacturer
- a number of overseas investors on SPV property acquisitions
- a manufacturer on the export of dual-use technology
- borrowers on debt finance and facility and security documents
- a renowned plant science company on its merger
- an on-line education provider on an investment round
- a regulated financial services entity on its majority sale to a UK listed buyer
- an on-line retailer on its group reorganisation to separate the trading business from the non-trading assets
- on the acquisition of a premier league football club
- a leading high street franchisee on the sale of one of its franchise territories
- on equity investments and agreements, loan notes and associated security documentation
- on various acquisitions of insolvent businesses from administrators
- on software agreements including licences, assignments, escrow arrangements and outsourcing
- on joint ventures, partnerships and collaboration agreements