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James, who is rated in both Legal 500 and Chambers and Partners as a 'leading individual', has more than 19 years' experience acting for both corporate and industrial clients and landlords on a wide range of contentious property matters including dilapidation claims, boundary disputes, forfeiture claims, possession proceedings, lease renewals, environmental and boundary disputes. James' career has also seen him gain significant experience with property related professional negligence claims. His clients have included US based agricultural equipment manufacturer AGCO, Scrivens opticians, West Bromwich Building Society, Telent and Calthorpe Estates, amongst others.

James will join one of the region's foremost property litigation teams whose diverse client portfolio includes acting for landlords and tenants in both the public and private sector, including retail, health, insurance, local and central government. Clients include Natural England, Aggregate Industries UK Limited, Homes England and Paperchase Products Limited, amongst others. According to Legal 500 clients describe the firm as "an incredibly strong provider of real estate services. They dominate much of the Midlands area and have high quality clients providing high quality work. They give commercially focused advice and have a superb litigation department".

Sarah Parkinson, Partner and Head of Real Estate at Browne Jacobson, said:

*"We are delighted to have someone of James' calibre come on board. He is an outstanding property litigation lawyer and his wealth of experience in dealing with regional and national property litigation disputes will be attractive to our clients. James will be working with Pam Shepherd to grow our real estate litigation practice across the wide- ranging sectors focussed on by the firm."*

**James Coles**, added:

*"Browne Jacobson's property litigation team already has a stellar reputation in the market and I'm keen to build on this and transform it into Birmingham's "go to" property litigation team. I was really attracted by their diverse client base, ambitious plans for growth and commitment to delivering exceptional service at all times."*

James joins from Black Country law firm George Green where he was head of its property litigation team and the firm's Wolverhampton office.

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