



Ian Knight

Partner

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Description

Ian Knight started his professional career in 1972 as an auditor with a precedent firm of Deloitte's. Moving into industry in 1975 he worked as a financial accountant for Monsanto, then joined American International Group as the surety underwriter for Victoria. In 1978 Ian joined Citibank in Melbourne, moving later in the year to Perth as Regional Head of Credit for WA, SA & NT. From 1982 to 1989 he was involved in a number of businesses with partners in the financial broking, wealth management, superannuation administration, property, business broking and corporate finance areas, culminating with the listing of the business, Charthill Limited, on the ASX where Ian held the position of Managing Director/CEO.

After the takeover of Charthill, Ian returned to Melbourne to join KPMG where he became a Partner in their Corporate Finance division. In 1998 after the merger of the state based partnerships Ian became National Head of Mergers & Acquisitions and established offices in each state. In 2002 Ian established the Private Equity Division becoming Head of Private Equity (Corporate Finance) and held this role until his retirement in 2012. During his time at KPMG Ian was lead advisor on over 150 transactions across 30+ industries with a combined value of over \$5bn.

Ian is an experienced executive director, CEO and chair with over 25 years board level experience. He has sat on the board or committees of over 15 separate organisations spanning: listed; private; not for profit; and government (State & Federal) sectors. He has managed listed and private companies and divisions.

He has significant and proven numeracy skills including financial modeling and financial reporting. Industry sector experience and contacts include: Finance & Financial Services; Automotive; Aerospace; Transport & Logistics, Environmental; Retail; Primary Industry; Engineering; Contracting; Property; Insurance and Clothing & Textiles.

Specific Expertise

- > Mergers
- > Acquisitions
- > Divestments
- > IPOs
- > Equity Raisings
- > Strategy

Industries

- > Services
- > Finance & Banking
- > Manufacturing
- > Chemicals
- > Retail
- > Automotive

Professional Qualifications and Professional Service Memberships

- > Bachelor of Business (Accounting)
- > FACA
- > CPA
- > MAICD
- > AFAIM

Experience & Board Positions

- > Partner, nem Australasia Pty Ltd
- > Non-Executive Director, CleanTeQ Holdings Limited
- > Non-Executive Director, Rockwell Financial Services Group Pty Ltd
- > Non-Executive Director, Fenwick Software Pty Ltd
- > Non-Executive Director, Neural Diagnostics Pty Ltd
- > Non-Executive Director, Alzheimer's Australia (Victoria)
- > Non-Executive Director, Alzheimers Australia Dementia Research Foundation (Victoria) Limited

Previously:

- > Partner, KPMG - Corporate Finance
- National Head of M&A
- National Head of Private Equity
- > Managing Director/CEO Charthill Limited