

Magnus Howie

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Magnus is a restructuring and corporate advisory professional with over 10 years' experience advising businesses in financial distress and supporting stakeholders through complex restructurings, independent business reviews, trading insolvencies and distressed transactions.

He works closely with lenders, boards and management, private equity and legal advisors to navigate financial and operational challenges, protect value and deliver practical outcomes.

Magnus has experience across a range of industries including construction, manufacturing, gaming and tourism, retail, property, transport and logistics, financial services, healthcare, and mining services.

Select Engagement Experience —

- Star: Advisor to the lending syndicate of the Star Entertainment Group, comprising casinos in Sydney, Brisbane and the Gold Coast.
- Roberts Co (VIC): Administration involving four major and 21 minor construction projects in Victoria. Negotiated and implemented the handover of major construction projects to their principals.
- Project Evan: Engaged by a syndicate of offshore lenders in respect of a \$70m exposure to an operating apartment hotel in Melbourne, involving competing lenders. Implemented a successful refinance of the borrower's facilities to achieve a full financial return for all lenders.
- Qenos Group: Administration of petrochemical manufacturing plants in Altona and Botany. Continued operations at the Altona site for six months and implemented a multi-year phased make-safe, wind-down and demolition program for land redevelopment at both Altona and Botany.
- Project Basalt: Engaged by a global private equity firm to assess and implement cash flow management, liquidity and financial forecasting process improvements for an Australian portfolio company with \$4.5bn GLA, in response to an urgent liquidity request from the company.
- Project Haas: Assisted the Australian arm of a leading special situations investor with financial and operational analysis of its investment in an Australian-based multinational retailer, supporting negotiations with the company's private equity sponsor and ultimately achieving a successful outcome and full financial return.
- Carbon Revolution: Provided cash flow and liquidity management support to Carbon Revolution, an advanced Australian manufacturer, assisting the company through transformative transactions including a major debt refinancing, a SPAC merger to delist from the ASX and relist on the NASDAQ, and an equity raise.

Qualifications & Memberships —

- Member, CA ANZ
- Member, TMA
- Member, ARITA
- Graduate Diploma of Applied Finance, Kaplan Professional
- Bachelor of Commerce, UWA
- Bachelor of Economics, UWA



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- Toll Global Express: Provided operational buy-side due diligence to Allegro Funds in relation to its acquisition of Toll Global Express.
- Annecto Incorporated: Administration of Annecto, a provider of disability and ageing support services to more than 3,000 people with disabilities, veterans and older adults. Working with Government and its advisors, successfully wound down operations and transitioned customers to alternative providers.
- Project Bradshaw: Assisted a large Australian private equity investment group to negotiate a successful refinance following a long-running dispute with a borrower in respect of contaminated commercial land in the Melbourne metropolitan area.
- Fiji Airways: Provided acquisition due diligence to the Fiji National Provident Fund on its \$93m investment for a significant stake in Fiji Airways.
- McMillan Shakespeare Limited: Provided buy-side financial due diligence support to McMillan Shakespeare Limited on various completed and contemplated acquisitions of NDIS plan management service providers.