

Lateral Partner Moves in London



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◆ Arthur Cox

Exchange-traded funds specialist Adrian Mulryan has been appointed to the funds team. He joins the Irish firm's London office from Source, an EFT provider, where he was general counsel.

◆ Baker Botts

Mark Heaney becomes part of the firm's IP practice, joining from Bird & Bird. Focusing on contentious matters, he specialises in patents and copyright.

◆ Berwin Leighton Paisner

The firm has recruited Eversheds partner Daniyal Ansari to its real estate finance group.

◆ Boodle Hatfield

Salpy Kouyoumjian joins the private wealth team from Foot Anstey. She advises high net worth individuals in Russia, CIS and the Middle East.

◆ Bryan Cave

DLA Piper's Ioannis Alexopoulos joins Bryan Cave's litigation practice. He specialises in banking litigation, as well as commercial and business disputes. Helena Nathanson joins the financial services group from Reed Smith and will lead the London corporate trust team; her practice is largely focused on the corporate trust, loan and agency aspects of structured finance transactions.

◆ Cooley

Launching its first European office in London, US West Coast technology and life sciences firm Cooley has recruited a total of 19 partners, from Edwards Wildman and Morrison & Foerster. Those joining from Edwards Wildman are litigators James Maton, Kevin Perry, Laurence Harris and Mark Deem; insurance lawyers James Crabtree, David Kendall, Mark Everiss and Richard Hopley; IP lawyers Nicholas Bolter and Akash Sachdeva; technology lawyer Sarah Pearce; competition lawyer Becket McGrath;

insolvency and restructuring specialist Jonathan Yorke; and financial services lawyer Chris Finney. Ann Bevitt (employment) and Chris Coulter (technology) join from Morrison and Foerster, along with corporate partners Edward Lukins, David Bresnick and Justin Stock, who becomes Managing Partner.

◆ Clyde & Co

The firm has added Ince & Co partner Dean Norton to its transportation finance group; he specialises in shipping and offshore financings.

◆ DWF

One of a trio of hires, national firm DWF has grown its City presence with the hire of insurance regulatory partner Jeremy Irving, who moves from Eversheds. Richard Britain joins from Ince & Co, where he was Head of Corporate Insurance. He specialises in corporate transactions in the insurance and wider financial services sector. Real estate finance partner Christian Francis joins from DLA Piper; he acts for senior institutional lenders in relation to investment and development transactions.

◆ Fieldfisher

The firm has appointed Simon Coles to its banking and asset finance team. Joining from TLT, his practice includes acquisition and leveraged finance, syndicated lending, restructuring and asset-based lending as well as alternative forms of debt financing.

◆ Fladgate

In a hiring spree, Fladgate has added Wilsons Solicitors partner Matthew Bennett to its private capital team. Fenwick Elliot senior associate Barry Hembling joins as a partner; he focuses on both contentious and non-contentious construction matters. The firm has also made a hat-trick of lateral

hires from newly-merged Locke Lord Edwards: debt finance lawyer Luke Morris, corporate lawyer Graham Spitz, and real estate finance lawyer Daniel Polden join.

◆ **Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson**

O'Melveny & Myers partner Dan Oates joins the corporate department and private equity practice. He advises on a broad range of corporate transactions including acquisitions and leveraged buyouts, IPOs and public-to-private transactions.

◆ **Fox Williams**

Commercial property partner Phillip Hope joins from Dentons to become Head of Real Estate. The firm has also boosted its corporate team with the hire of Irwin Mitchell's London Corporate Head, Andrew Woolf.

◆ **Gateley**

Strengthening the corporate team, Steven Raize moves from DAC Beachcroft. He frequently acts for clients in the TMT sector. Payment services specialist Craig Rattray joins the commerce, technology and media practice from Olswang; he will focus on developing the firm's payments offering.

◆ **Greenberg Traurig Maher**

Dorothee Fischer-Appelt joins the corporate and securities team from Sidley Austin; her practice is focused on international capital markets transactions.

◆ **Hamlin's**

One of a number of recent hires for the Central London firm, litigator Amanda Burge joins from Enyo Law; she specialises in construction, insurance and property litigation. Corporate tax lawyer Fionnuala Lynch joins from Cubism Law, where she was a consultant. The firm has also added to its finance

offering with the hire of Reed Smith's Charles Bezzant, who practises real estate finance.

◆ **Holman Fenwick & Willan**

Edwards Wildman employment partner Neil Adams joins; his practice covers High Court litigation, tribunals and advice relating to M&A and restructuring. Oil and gas specialist Alexander Reid joins the energy team from Baker Botts, where he was a senior associate.

◆ **Hunton & Williams**

The US firm has appointed Stuart Hills to its banking and finance team in London. Joining from Fasken Martineau, his practice is largely focused on project and acquisition finance.

◆ **Irwin Mitchell**

Irwin Mitchell adds Simon Griffiths to its corporate team. He specialises in equity capital markets, public company takeovers, and private M&A. Griffiths headed up Addleshaw Goddard's equity capital markets practice from 2000 to 2013.

◆ **JA Kemp**

IP litigator and barrister Alan Bryson joins from Wilberforce Chambers. A former IP partner at Clifford Chance, he becomes Head of JA Kemp's litigation group.

◆ **Jones Day**

Strengthening its antitrust team, Jones Day has added Alan Davis as a partner. He joins from Pinsent Masons, where he focused on UK antitrust matters; particularly on cartels, market investigations and contentious matters.

◆ **Kervin & Barnes Solicitors**

The Mayfair-based specialist employment firm has hired Charlotte Stern as a partner. Specialising in

employment tribunal litigation, Stern joins from RadcliffesLeBrasseur, where she was an associate.

King & Spalding

Stuart Isaacs QC joins the international arbitration group as a partner. He specialises in international arbitration and commercial law and is set to split his time between London and Asia. Isaacs joins from Berwin Leighton Paisner, where he led the advocacy unit.

Kirkland & Ellis

Bringing two private equity specialists into its corporate group, the Chicago headquartered firm has hired Linklaters real estate M&A Head Matthew Elliot, as well as re-hiring Jim Learner, former Head of the London office. He returns to Kirkland & Ellis after two years in-house at private equity firm Hunstman Gray in California.

Latham & Watkins

Corporate lawyer Simon Tysoe joins from Herbert Smith Freehills. He specialises in M&A within the oil and gas sector and has significant experience in the African market.

Mayer Brown

DLA Piper's Alex Dell is set to join the banking and finance group. Specialising in asset-based lending, Dell was previously the head of DLA Piper's structured finance team.

Milbank, Tweed, Hadley & McCloy

The US firm has recruited Linklaters projects duo Matthew Hagopian and Manzer Ijaz. Hagopian headed the global energy sector group as well as leading Linklaters' US law energy and project finance practice worldwide.

Mishcon de Reya

Adding to its private client offering, Mishcon de Reya has announced the appointment of contentious trusts specialist Peter Steen, from Farrer & Co.

Olswang

In a double partner hire from Winston & Strawn, Olswang has recruited patent litigators Gareth Morgan and Richard Price, along with two associates. Price, who also handles trademark litigation, joins as Head of IP Arbitration; Morgan specialises in pharma-regulatory issues.

Osborne Clarke

Re-launching its private client practice, Osborne Clarke has brought in Taylor Wessing's Andrew Goodman, as well as Stuart Janaway, who joins from niche private client firm New Quadrant Partners. Their practice will encompass the full range of private client advice, including tax and estate planning, the structuring of family wealth and the related litigation. The firm has also added to its Energy practice with the hire of Simon Hobday from Pinsent Masons, who specialises in the commercial and regulatory energy sector.

Pinsent Masons

Energy and natural resources specialist Paul McGoldrick joins from Bond Dickinson; his practice is focused on transactional and joint venture work in the oil and gas industry.

Ropes & Gray

Expanding its real estate group, the US firm has hired Carol Hopper as a partner. She joins from Allen & Overy, where she was a consultant.

Rosenblatt Solicitors

Specialising in both contentious and transactional construction matters, Nik Haria joins the

construction and projects team. He moves from SGH Martineau, where he was Head of Construction.

◆ Russell-Cooke

The London firm has recruited private client partner Andrew Godfrey from Penningtons Manches. His practice encompasses all aspects of private client law.

◆ Squire Patton Boggs

Simmons & Simmons' former Head of Acquisition Finance John Hayward has been appointed to the financial services practice group.

◆ Taylor Vinters

Corporate finance Partner Ed Hooper joins from Taylor Wessing. He advises on IPOs, secondary fundraisings and corporate governance, and was formerly seconded to the London Stock Exchange as an AIM Regulator.

◆ Thomas Eggar

Family lawyer Ursula Danagher has been appointed as Head of the Private Client practice. She joins from Mishcon de Reya, and previously led the family team at Memery Crystal.

◆ Travers Smith

After making its first lateral hire in three years in November last year, Travers Smith has boosted its private equity offering, adding Dickson Minto senior associate Donald Lowe to its finance team and partnership.

◆ Watson, Farley & Williams

In a double hire from Chadbourne & Parke, Dearbhla Quigley and Martin Thomas join the international firm's corporate team. Both advise on a broad range of corporate matters including IPOs and secondary offerings, venture capital, M&A and joint ventures.

◆ White & Case

Increasing its high yield capabilities, White & Case has added Paul Clews as a partner in its capital markets group. As well as high yield debt offerings, Clews focuses on restructurings, tender offerings and other corporate finance transactions. He joins from Shearman and Sterling, where he was counsel.

◆ Winckworth Sherwood

Employment partner Andrew Yule joins from Withers. His practice encompasses both contentious and non-contentious employment matters.

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