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Richard Bonnar is a highly experienced commercial/IT lawyer.

Richard leads DLA Piper's Public Sector practice in the UK and is responsible for the overall strategy and coordination of its different practice groups in their delivery of legal services to central and local government.

Richard is chair of the DLA Piper Brexit Committee, which coordinates the firm's approach to the withdrawal of the UK from the European Union.

EXPERIENCE

Richard's experience includes acting for Transport for London, The Office of Government Commerce, The Northern Ireland Office, the Department for Work and Pensions and the NHS Connecting for Health.

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

Prior Experience

- 2000 to date, Partner, DLA Piper
- 1995 to 2000, Managing Partner, UK based law firm
- 1990 to 1995, Associate, UK based international law firm
- 1986 to 1990, Solicitor, UK based multinational law firm

Education

- Cambridge University, MA (Hons) (Double First)

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Publications

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Boardroom Brexit

Welcome to our latest issue of Boardroom Brexit, covering most recent developments..

No-deal Brexit: Impact on public sector procurement contracts

1 September 2019

While a range of outcomes, including [a departure under the terms of the current Withdrawal Agreement](#), remains possible, it is important for businesses to plan for a no-deal Brexit, in which the UK leaves the EU without a withdrawal agreement or other deal. Here we look at the potential impact of a no-deal Brexit on public sector procurement law

Boardroom Brexit 2 August

2 August 2019

Boardroom Brexit

Welcome to the latest issue of Boardroom Brexit, covering developments since the election of Boris Johnson as leader of the Conservative party and, as a consequence, his replacement of Theresa May as the UK's new prime minister.

Boardroom Brexit 12 April

12 APR 2019

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Welcome to our latest issue of Boardroom Brexit, covering developments during the week commencing 8 April 2019.

Boardroom Brexit: UK seeks further extension as EU warns of rising no-deal risk

5 APR 2019

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On Monday, 1 April, the House of Commons (the Commons) voted on four possible arrangements (whittled down from the eight voted on last Friday) in an attempt to break the Brexit logjam.

Boardroom Brexit: Customs union closest option to winning MPs' approval as PM's deal fails again

1 APR 2019

Boardroom Brexit

Welcome to our latest issue of Boardroom Brexit, covering developments during the period 25 - 29 March 2019. This week, we

strayed from our usual Friday distribution to ensure we captured and reported on the outcome of last Friday's House of Commons vote.

Boardroom Brexit: New timeline after EU grants conditional extension

22 MAR 2019

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The third vote on the draft Withdrawal Agreement didn't take place this week. John Bercow, Speaker of the House of Commons (the Commons), announced that the deal couldn't come before the Commons this parliamentary session in similar, or substantially similar, terms as before. According to parliamentary convention dating back to 1604, the government couldn't hold repeated votes in the Commons, in the same parliamentary session, on a motion that is the "same in substance."

Boardroom Brexit: What next after a dramatic week in UK politics?

15 MAR 2019

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MPs voted by a majority of 210 in favour of the government's motion extending the negotiation deadline until 30 June 2019, if the withdrawal agreement is approved by next Wednesday (20 March 2019).

Brexit Podcast: No confidence vote and next steps

22 JAN 2019

Following a tumultuous week in the House of Commons and with the 29 March deadline fast approaching, DLA Piper's Brexit Committee Chair Richard Bonnar and Brexit Director Paul Hardy review recent developments and summarise next steps ...

Boardroom Brexit - the Withdrawal Agreement

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In this edition we summarise the key takeaways you need to understand. In the next edition, we look at the framework for the future relationship, which is being negotiated in Brussels this week.

Withdrawal, transition and trade – the commercial implications of the latest milestone in the Brexit negotiations

29 MAR 2018

The week beginning 19 March was a big week in the Brexit negotiations. First, the European Commission published a revised draft of the Withdrawal Agreement showing which provisions had been agreed, and which had not. Secondly, the European Council (EU Heads of State, less Teresa May) gave its blessing to a status-quo transition period after Brexit Day, until the end of 2020. Thirdly, the European Council published its Guidelines on the terms of a future trade relationship with the UK. We deal with each in turn, highlighting the most important points we think our clients should understand.

Navigating your business through Brexit: four ways DLA Piper can help

1 MAR 2018

The key to navigating Brexit successfully is informed analysis, accurate forecasting and practical contingency planning. DLA Piper's dedicated Brexit team has the political, policy and legal capability to provide tailored advice on how to mitigate risk and maximise opportunities, wherever in the world you do business.

Boardroom Brexit - the issues that really matter to your business

31 JAN 2018

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There was huge political impetus to move the Brexit negotiations on to the second phase in December last year, after unpromising negotiations in October and November. Had the European Council (EU-27 Heads of State) not agreed to do so, the chances of a negotiated outcome would have faded significantly.
