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Kit Burden has extensive experience in the areas of outsourcing and complex technology transactions, advising both users and suppliers of IT, commercial and outsourcing services and in relation to all aspects of the procurement process.

Kit's work ordinarily involves him on business critical projects frequently valued in the hundreds of millions of pounds.

His clients include major retail banks, airlines, high street and online retailers, pharmaceutical companies, investment banks, outsource and IT service providers, and various name brand and multinational companies.

#### RELATED SERVICES

- Intellectual Property and Technology

#### RELATED SECTORS

- Technology

## EXPERIENCE

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### KEY EXPERIENCE

- Advising a global financial institution on one of the largest cloud transformation deals in the world
- Advising a major European bank on an end-to-end review and rebase of number of IT outsourcing agreements with four different vendors
- Advising a global hospitality and leisure company in respect of its global networks and unified comms outsourcing and transformation project, and its related global desktop outsource deal
- Advising a number of major IT suppliers on a number of major IT and network implementation projects and high profile outsourcing engagements
- Advising a major global Telco on its re platforming project for its core CRM and billing systems

### MAJOR CLIENTS

- UBS
- Dixons Carphone
- TUI
- Royal Bank of Scotland

- Lloyds Banking Group
- HCL Technologies

## CREDENTIALS

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### Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

### Recognitions

Kit has been recognized in the *Legal 500 Hall of Fame* which highlights individuals who have received constant praise by their clients for continued excellence.

Kit is undoubtedly one of the leading lights in the outsourcing market, not just in the UK but globally. He chairs the Society for Computers and Law's Outsourcing Group and is a frequent writer and speaker on outsourcing topics.

Kit was first ranked in *Chambers UK* 2004 and has been ranked in every edition since.

He is ranked as a UK-wide Outsourcing "star lawyer" (one of only two lawyers listed).

Kit has been shortlisted in the Global Sourcing Association "A-List" for 2016-17, which recognises a core group of professionals who have helped shape the wider outsourcing industry (one of only a handful of lawyers listed).

Kit was commended for his work in developing our "ASCENDANT" methodology by the FT Innovative Lawyers report.

Kit was also commended by Global Legal Experts as "Technology Lawyer of the Year" and furthermore by the Global Sourcing Association Awards (with the UK team winning *Law Firm of the Year* for 2017).

### Memberships

- Member of the Computer Law Group
- Trustee of the Society for Computers & Law
- Chair of SCL's Special Interest Group on Outsourcing

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### TechLaw Podcast: Disruption in Outsourcing - The impact of AI & RPA

14 FEB 2018  
TechLaw Podcast Series

A look at the wider robotic process automation (RPA) industry, new legal challenges and ways to drive effective collaboration when outsourcing this new technology. With Kit Burden, partner and Global Co-Chair in the Technology sector at DLA Piper, and Andrew Burgess, a strategic advisor on AI and RPA.

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#### TechLaw Podcast: The disruptive impact of AI and automation technologies

9 FEB 2018  
TechLaw Podcast Series

What impact are AI and automation having on business operations - and workers themselves? And what impact will they have in the future? With DLA Piper partner and Technology Sector co-chair Kit Burden and Ashish Gupta, Corporate Vice President - ITO and Infrastructure Service Sales EMEA at HCL Technologies.

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Kit is the author of two leading publications, on *Computer Contracts* (Sweet and Maxwell) and the *Legal Protection of Computer Software* (EMIS, now XPL Publishing).

Kit also writes for various journals on IT and outsourcing including *IT Law Today*, *Computers and Law*, and the *Computer Law and Security Review*, for which he is on the correspondent's panel. Kit also co-authored, "Outsourcing: A Practical Guide", for the *Globe Law and Business* on September 2015.

## Events

Kit is a frequent speaker at industry and legal conferences.

## NEWS

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### **Technology sector poised for big data wave in finance and sales departments – DLA Piper European Tech Index**

12 DEC 2018

Harnessing big data is becoming standard practice for IT and marketing teams in technology, but DLA Piper's 2018 Tech Index reveals that a revolution may now be underway in finance and sales departments as well. Responses from 350 tech sector senior executives in Europe indicate that compared to 2016, organizations are increasingly identifying new opportunities in these additional departments, indicating a move towards widespread adoption of big data in the tech sector.

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### **DLA Piper wins Legal Adviser of the Year and recognized as UK Top Performer 2018 by Global Sourcing Association**

25 MAY 2018

DLA Piper's Global Co-Head of Technology Sector, Kit Burden, was last night named Legal Adviser of the Year at the Global Sourcing Association (GSA) UK Top Performers and Professional Awards, held at the Hilton Manchester Deansgate

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