



## Real Estate Litigation

Contentious issues can arise in even the most carefully managed real estate portfolios. Our real estate litigation team has the market understanding to offer legal advice about those issues that reflect our clients' business needs.

When issues arise, we can identify and execute the most advantageous business-oriented solutions, either by pursuing or defending litigation or arbitration proceedings or through other alternative dispute resolution methods, such as mediation or negotiations.

In addition to their acute dispute resolution function, our real estate litigators fulfill an advisory role in relation to both high value and complex transactional work and day-to-day portfolio management issues, ranging from covenant and/or rights disputes on city center development sites to landlord and tenant issues such as the enforcement of tenant repair obligations.

### CAPABILITES

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We advise clients on the complete range of cases in the Real Estate sector including:

- Investment and development risk management/elimination
- Sale disputes
- Development disputes
- Landlord and tenant disputes
- Litigation arising out of the termination of Real Estate contracts
- Possession actions
- Property based insolvency issues
- Enforcement of security
- Freezing injunctions
- Enforcement of trust obligations
- A range of tenant breach issues

### INSIGHTS

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#### Publications

**Coronavirus and the US commercial real estate sector**

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13 March 2020

Considerations on the impact of COVID-19 on commercial real estate agreements already in place.

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## Events

### Previous

#### What next for occupiers and landlords?

24 September 2020

Webinar

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## NEWS

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#### DLA Piper completes virtual planning inquiry

13 October 2020

A legal team from No5 Chambers (Peter Goatley QC and Christian Hawley) and DLA Piper UK LLP (Andrew Batterton and Claire Stoneman) have just completed what amounts to, for the appellants, a fully virtual public inquiry in relation to an appeal against a refusal of outline planning permission for up to 250 dwellings in Holmewood, North East Derbyshire. The appeal team included Inspire Design Group, DLP Planning and Pegasus.

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#### DLA Piper advises Mothercare Global Brand Ltd. on relocation of headquarters

30 September 2020

DLA Piper has advised Mothercare Global Brand Ltd on exiting its lease agreement of the former Mothercare Headquarters in Watford, Hertfordshire together with advising on the acquisition of the Company's new headquarters in Apsley.

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#### DLA Piper advises Amnesty International on its spin-out of the Human Rights Consortium Scotland

8 September 2020

DLA Piper has advised Amnesty International on the spin-out of the Human Rights Consortium Scotland (HRCS) as a separate, independent human rights organisation.

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#### New Partner for DLA Piper's Brussels Real Estate Practice

7 September 2020

DLA Piper is further strengthening its Real Estate practice with the appointment of Joseph Spinks as a partner in its Brussels office. He joins the firm from Linklaters where his real estate experience was focused on acquisitions, disposals, developments and construction projects within the office, retail, logistics and care sectors.

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#### DLA Piper advises P3 Logistic Parks on the rental of commercial space to Makita Werkzeug GmbH

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27 August 2020

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### **DLA Piper advises Harrison Street on GBP750 million joint venture to develop BTR accommodation**

31 July 2020

DLA Piper advised Harrison Street on its joint venture with Cortland to build a European residential platform targeting a GBP750 million build to rent (BTR) pipeline in UK and Ireland. The first development is a 367 unit build-to-rent BTR property in Watford, UK. The deal has the backing from Homes England and AIG Asset Management.

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### **DLA Piper advises GM Cruise on acquisition of Astyx**

8 July 2020

DLA Piper has advised GM Cruise Holdings LLC (GM Cruise) in connection with the acquisition of Astyx GmbH (Astyx) from Zukunft Ventures GmbH, a subsidiary of ZF Friedrichshafen AG, and the founders of Astyx.

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### **DLA Piper advises Katoen Natie on the acquisition of Nijhof Wassink**

7 July 2020

DLA Piper has advised Katoen Natie, an international logistics service provider and port operator, on the acquisition of the warehousing activities of Nijhof-Wassink in Poland, a family-owned company specialising in logistics.

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### **DLA Piper advises PZU on office lease agreement in Generation Park Y**

2 July 2020

DLA Piper has advised Grupa PZU, one of the largest financial institution in Poland and CEE, on the lease of 47,000 m<sup>2</sup> of office, retail and warehouse space, in Generation Park Y.

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### **DLA Piper advises Chris Stewart Group on management agreement with The Cheval Collection**

29 May 2020

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised the Chris Stewart Group on a management agreement with The Cheval Collection to manage two of its prestigious properties in Edinburgh, as part of its expansion into Scotland and long-term strategic vision for UK and international growth.

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### **DLA Piper advises Allianz Real Estate on the financing of the acquisition of Bishop's Square in Dublin by GLL Real Estate Partners**

7 May 2020

DLA Piper has advised Allianz Real Estate GmbH, the real estate investment arm of Allianz Group, on the provision of financing to an investment vehicle managed by GLL Real Estate Partners for the purchase of Bishop's Square in Dublin, Ireland.

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## **DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2020**

30 April 2020

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 67 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2020 in the United States and May 1, 2020 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions have been made across many of the firm's practice areas in 35 different offices throughout 13 countries.

Across the firm's practices globally, Corporate saw the largest intake of new partners with 19 promotions, followed by Litigation and Regulatory with 15. Intellectual Property and Technology and Finance and Projects had ten and eight promotions respectively, while there were six in Real Estate. Tax and Employment both had four, and there was one in Restructuring.

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## **DLA Piper advises Daiichi Sankyo on its new UK headquarters**

22 April 2020

Global law firm DLA Piper has advised pharmaceutical company Daiichi Sankyo UK, on the letting of its new UK headquarters, located in West London.

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## **DLA Piper advises Elite Partners Capital on the acquisition of the logistics park in Mszczonów**

24 March 2020

DLA Piper has advised Elite Partners Capital on the purchase of five warehouse buildings covering a combined area of more than 200,000 square meters located in a logistics park situated in a fast developing logistics centre on the south-west of Warsaw, one of the largest logistics transactions so far this year.

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## **DLA Piper lawyers named Acritas Stars**

10 March 2020

Acritas has named over 200 DLA Piper lawyers as 2020 Acritas Stars. Now in its fourth year, Acritas Stars highlights the stand-out lawyers in private practice as nominated by clients around the world. More than 3,000 senior in-house counsel feed into the nomination process to give a comprehensive view of highly recommended lawyers across the globe.

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## **DLA Piper Ukraine advises food chain Billa on lease extension flagship store in the Bessarabskyi Market in Kyiv**

21 February 2020

DLA Piper Ukraine real estate team has advised food chain Billa on securing a record 8-year lease extension agreement with Kyiv City Council for its flagship store in the Bessarabskyi Market in Kyiv.

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## **DLA Piper advises on acquisition of Wood Street Police Station**

10 February 2020

DLA Piper has advised Wood Street Hotel Limited, a subsidiary of Magnificent Hotels Investments Limited, on its acquisition of Wood Street Police Station in the heart of the City of London from The City Corporation.

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## **DLA Piper advises Guala Closures Group on the acquisition of the assets of Germany's Closurelogic**

6 January 2020

DLA Piper has advised the Guala Closures Group, one of the world leaders in the production of security closures for spirits and aluminium closures for wines, as well as one of the major world producer and distributor of aluminium closures for the beverage industry, on the acquisition of the activities of Closurelogic GmbH, the German producer specialised in the aluminium closures.

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### **DLA Piper advises Hahn Group on sale of Campus Center Lübeck**

18 December 2019

DLA Piper has advised Hahn Group on the sale of Campus Center Lübeck to real estate investment manager Nuveen Real Estate, which acquired the property for its German core retail platform.

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### **DLA Piper advises Tilad on sale of Berlin office complex**

5 November 2019

DLA Piper has advised Dubai based investment company Tilad on the sale of its Berlin office complex "Atrium Charlottenburg" to Hines.

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### **Partner Joanne Owen returns to DLA Piper's Real Estate practice**

30 October 2019

DLA Piper is welcoming back Joanne Owen as a partner in its London Real Estate practice on 4th November.

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### **DLA Piper makes Real Estate partner hire in Birmingham**

28 October 2019

DLA Piper is further strengthening its Real Estate practice with the appointment of Katie Jacobson as a partner in its Birmingham office. She joins the firm from Hogan Lovells and she will have a clear focus on advising institutional investors across the retail, office and industrial sectors.

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### **CRE executives cautiously optimistic: DLA Piper's 2019 *State of the Market Survey***

24 September 2019

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### **DLA Piper continues Irish expansion with appointment of four new partners**

4 September 2019

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of four new partners to its recently opened Dublin office into four key practice areas of Finance and Projects (F&P), Intellectual Property and Technology (IPT), Tax and Real Estate. The new partners will be joined by three legal directors, as part of the firm's ongoing expansion in Ireland.

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### **DLA Piper advises Allianz Real Estate on the acquisition of EDGE Hafencity in Hamburg**

2 August 2019

DLA Piper has advised Allianz Real Estate on its acquisition of the office property EDGE Hafencity as part of an off-market forward deal. EDGE Hafencity Hamburg will be a 15-storey building with a total lettable area of approximately 22,500 sqm.

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### **DLA Piper advises Rolls-Royce on acquisition of Siemens' eAircraft business**

21 June 2019

DLA Piper has advised Rolls-Royce plc on the acquisition of Siemens' electric and hybrid-electric aerospace propulsion activities, eAircraft. The acquisition will accelerate the delivery of Rolls-Royce's electrification strategy and boost its ambition to play a major role in the "third era" of aviation. The completion of the transaction is expected in late 2019, following a period of employee consultation.

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### **DLA Piper announces launch of Artificial Intelligence practice**

14 MAY 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Artificial Intelligence practice, which will focus on assisting companies as they navigate the legal landscape of emerging and disruptive technologies, while helping them understand the legal and compliance risks arising from the creation and deployment of AI systems.

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### **DLA Piper advises GLO Properties on acquisition of ModeCentrum Hamburg**

30 APR 2019

DLA Piper has advised GLO Properties S.à.r.l. (GLO) on its acquisition of ModeCentrum Hamburg (MCH) from the owner and operator, the Luserke family, for more than EUR 100 million.

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### **DLA Piper announces partnership promotions for 2019**

1 APR 2019

DLA Piper is proud to announce that 77 lawyers have been promoted to its partnership. The promotions are effective as of April 1, 2019 in the United States and May 1, 2019 for EMEA and Asia Pacific. The promotions were made across many of the firm's practice areas in 43 different offices throughout 20 countries.

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### **DLA Piper releases thought-provoking report on the future of Real Estate**

26 MAR 2019

Today's publication release follows a roundtable discussion hosted by DLA Piper and Cloudscraper Exchange, attended by CEOs

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and senior professionals from major real estate companies.

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### **Non-resident real estate investors bullish on Capital Gains Tax changes**

19 MAR 2019

Non-resident real estate investors are holding their nerve on UK investment strategies despite impending capital gains tax (CGT) changes coming into force next month and uncertainty around Brexit. According to a DLA Piper report, more than half (58 percent) of those polled expect the new tax code will have no impact on their investment strategy.

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### **DLA Piper makes Real Estate partner hire in Leeds**

5 MAR 2019

DLA Piper today announces that hospitality and leisure lawyer, Susan Samuel, will be joining the firm as partner in its Real Estate practice, based in Leeds.

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### **DLA Piper announces launch of Blockchain and Digital Assets practice**

26 FEB 2019

DLA Piper announced today the launch of its Blockchain and Digital Assets practice, which will offer strategic advice on a global basis to address the needs of companies implementing blockchain technology solutions and creating and deploying digital assets.

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### **DLA Piper's Global Real Estate Annual *State of the Market Survey***

14 FEB 2019

According to DLA Piper's Global Real Estate's Annual *State of the Market Survey*, a significant shift in cross-border investment in US commercial real estate is taking place, with a new country predicted to become the major source of non-US capital for US commercial real estate.

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### **DLA Piper boosts London Real Estate practice with key partner hire**

11 JAN 2019

DLA Piper announces that Lorraine Reader will be joining as a partner in its Real Estate practice, based in London.

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