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Charles Severs has extensive experience in both public and private mergers and acquisitions and equity capital market transactions. His work often includes working with large multi-nationals, leading on complex multi-jurisdictional deals.

Charles acts for both listed and private companies with a particular focus on the technology, media and telecommunication sectors.

Charles is consistently ranked highly by *Chambers* and *Legal 500*. He is currently ranked in Band 1 for Corporate M&A UK by *Chambers Europe* 2013.

EXPERIENCE

- Advised The Innovation Group plc on a £67 million fundraising by way of firm placing and placing and open offer of shares on the main market of the London Stock Exchange plc
- Advised Imagination Technologies Group plc on its acquisition of the operating business, certain patent properties and license rights to other patent properties of MIPS Technologies Inc, a leading NASDAQ-listed provider of computer components. (US\$60 million). We also advised on the related pre-acquisition disposal by MIPS of the majority of its patent properties to Bridge Crossing LLC. (US\$350 million)
- Cashbox placing of 6,600,000 ordinary shares in the Issuer (Keller Group plc) order to raise gross proceeds of approximately £58.7 million to partially fund a class 1 acquisition of the piling business of North American Energy Partners, Inc. for a maximum consideration of CDN\$320 million (£202.5 million)

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

RELATED SERVICES

- Capital Markets
- Corporate
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Private Equity
- Intellectual Property and Technology
- Finance

RELATED SECTORS

- Technology

Recognitions

- Clients appreciate his "*flexible and pragmatic style*," revealing that he is "*good at cutting through and getting to a solution.*" - *Chambers & Partners* 2018
- Managing director Charles Severs '*always ensures that services are delivered as promised.*' - *Legal 500 UK* 2017

Education

- Bristol University, LL.B. (Hons)

Memberships

- Member of the Princes Trust Technology and Leadership Group

NEWS

DLA Piper advises on AFS Technologies merger with Exceedra

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper has advised Symphony Technology Group (STG), the parent company of AFS Technologies (AFS) - a provider of software solutions purpose-built for consumer goods manufacturers and food distribution companies - on its merger with Exceedra.

DLA Piper advises on £255 million takeover of Manx Telecom

14 MAR 2019

DLA Piper is advising AIM listed telecommunications provider, Manx Telecom plc, on its proposed takeover by Kelion Bidco for a total cash consideration of approximately £255.9 million.

DLA Piper refreshes International Executive team

30 NOV 2018

DLA Piper today announces a number of changes to its International Executive team, all effective as of 1st January, 2019. The refresh follows the re-election of Simon Levine as International Managing Partner for a second term, and have been made in order to support the firm's wider strategy towards innovation and improved alignment across regions, practice groups and sectors.
