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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

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### **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.

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### **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.

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### **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.

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