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Stephen Atkinson's extensive knowledge lies in mergers and acquisitions, private equity transactions, shareholder arrangements and joint ventures.

- Corporate

AREAS OF EXPERIENCE

- General Corporate Advice
- Acquisitions and Disposals
- Buy-outs, Buy-ins
- Development Capital Transactions
- Joint Ventures
- Shareholders Agreements
- Equity Structurings

KEY EXPERIENCE

- John Laing Investments Limited - acquisition of Solar Farm (Project Amber) and other renewable energy transactions
- Renesola - various solar farm transactions
- RWE Innogy - Fastnet wind sale
- Greencoat - Project Verdi (wind farm acquisition)
- Blue Energy - Project Jupiter (wind farm acquisition)
- Priory Healthcare - multiple M&A transactions
- Project Genesis - sale of UK group to listed US buyer
- Findus - acting for management in relation to equity structuring and refinancing of group
- Camden Market - acquisition of Camden Market Holdings Corporation

- Greencoat UK Wind – acquisition of a subsidy-free wind farm (South Kyle)

MAJOR CLIENTS

- Priory Healthcare Group
- Findus/Youngs Bluecrest
- John Laing Investments Limited
- Greencoat
- MarketTech Holdings Limited

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

Prior Experience

2003 to date, Partner, DLA Piper

1996 to 2003, Solicitor, DLA Piper

1995 to 1996, Solicitor, UK based boutique construction law firm

Education

- Gonville & Caius College Cambridge, BA & MA Upper second in law

NEWS

DLA Piper advises Elgin Energy on sale of UK's largest solar portfolio

19 January 2022

DLA Piper has advised Elgin Energy, a leading international independent solar and storage developer, on the sale of a 519MW portfolio of solar PV projects and 70MW of co-located energy storage capacity to ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Limited, a wholly-owned subsidiary of global utility Iberdrola Group, one of the world's largest energy companies.

DLA Piper advises Australia's Ramsay Health Care on the acquisition of mental healthcare group Elysium for GBP775m

14 December 2021

DLA Piper has advised global healthcare business Ramsay Health Care on the acquisition of Elysium Healthcare from private equity firm BC Partners for GBP775 million (AUD1.4bn).

DLA Piper advises Greencoat UK Wind on the GBP121m acquisition of Statkraft wind project in Scotland

1 October 2021

DLA Piper has advised Greencoat UK Wind PLC (Greencoat) on the acquisition of Andershaw Wind Farm in Scotland from Statkraft for a purchase price of GBP121m. Greencoat will fund the acquisition through its revolving credit facility and cash.

DLA Piper advises on Prime Capital's acquisition of the 192MW Lappfjard project in Finland

24 June 2021

DLA Piper has advised Prime Capital AG and Prime Green Energy Infrastructure Fund S.A. SICAV-RAIF on the acquisition of the 192 MW Lappfjard wind farm from CPC Finland.

DLA Piper advises on the acquisition of Solarcentury by Statkraft

1 December 2020

DLA Piper has advised shareholders of Solar Century Holdings Limited in relation to its sale to Statkraft, Europe's largest producer of renewable energy. Together the companies are well positioned for accelerated growth in solar and to become one of the world's leading renewable energy companies.
