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Bob Bishop is Global Co-Chair of DLA Piper's Corporate Group and co-chairs the firm's M&A practice.

He advises clients on all areas of corporate/corporate finance law and practice, with a particular focus on cross-border M&A. His experience includes recommended and hostile public takeovers, all manner of private share and business acquisitions / disposals, initial and secondary equity offerings, private equity, group reorganisations, joint ventures and strategic alliances.

Bob acts for listed and private companies, institutional investors and financial intermediaries, with a particular focus on the Consumer Goods / Food & Beverage, Life Sciences and TMT sectors.

- Corporate
- Private Equity
- Capital Markets
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Finance

- Life Sciences
- Technology

Clients Bob advises include CareFusion, Carlyle, Danaher Corporation, Dassault Systèmes, Discovery Communications, Hain Celestial, Investec, Liberty Global, Mondélez International and Nuplex Industries.

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

Recognitions

- Interviewees report: "*His ability to grasp the commercial needs of a client is a real asset.*" - *Chambers & Partners* 2018
- The '*incredibly responsive, thoughtful*' and '*very experienced*' Robert Bishop is '*pragmatic, commercially savvy*' and '*a brilliant negotiator.*' - *Legal 500 UK* 2017

Education

- Exeter University, Economics & Politics
- College of Law, Chester, CPE/LSF

INSIGHTS

Publications

Vlog series: How to raise equity capital during the Coronavirus pandemic (UK)

4 August 2020

The first half of 2020 has seen an unprecedented volume of activity by companies raising capital through follow-on equity offerings on the London Stock Exchange in response to the Coronavirus pandemic. There have been over 140 equity issues on the London Stock Exchange's main market or AIM since 20 March 2020 raising more than GBP14 billion.

Room for manoeuvre for directors of UK companies? Temporary modification of wrongful trading liability by the Corporate Insolvency and Governance Act

Updated 15 July 2021

The rapidly changing impact of COVID-19 on companies and the wider economy continues to present directors with the unenviable task of balancing the immediate need to secure the survival of their company against the longer-term implications for their stakeholders.

Managing COVID-19 risks in corporate deals

26 March 2020

The COVID-19 global pandemic undoubtedly creates a challenging environment for corporate deals. In this note, we look at the likely impact on M&A transactions and the steps that can be taken to manage the risks arising from the pandemic.

NEWS

DLA Piper advising PMI on its GBP1 billion competitive offer for Vectura Group plc

9 July 2021

DLA Piper is advising Philip Morris International (PMI) on its recommended public offer for Vectura Group plc, a public limited company whose shares are listed on the Official List of the London Stock Exchange (Vela). PMI's bid values Vectura at approximately GBP1 billion.

DLA Piper boosts London investment management and funds offering with partner hire

1 June 2021

DLA Piper announces the appointment of Jonny Powling as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in London.

DLA Piper wins at Mergermarket's European M&A awards 2020

11 December 2020

DLA Piper has won European Mid-Market M&A Legal Adviser of the Year and Russia M&A Legal Adviser of the Year at Mergermarket's annual European M&A Awards. The virtual ceremony was held in London on 10 December 2020.

DLA Piper makes second senior partner hire into London Corporate this month

11 August 2020

DLA Piper today announces that Jonathan Earle will be joining the firm's Corporate practice as a partner in the London office.

DLA Piper boosts London Private Equity offering with key partner hire

5 August 2020

DLA Piper today announces the appointment of private equity (PE) lawyer Piero Carbone as a partner in its Corporate practice, based in London.
