

Law Firm Partner Moves in London

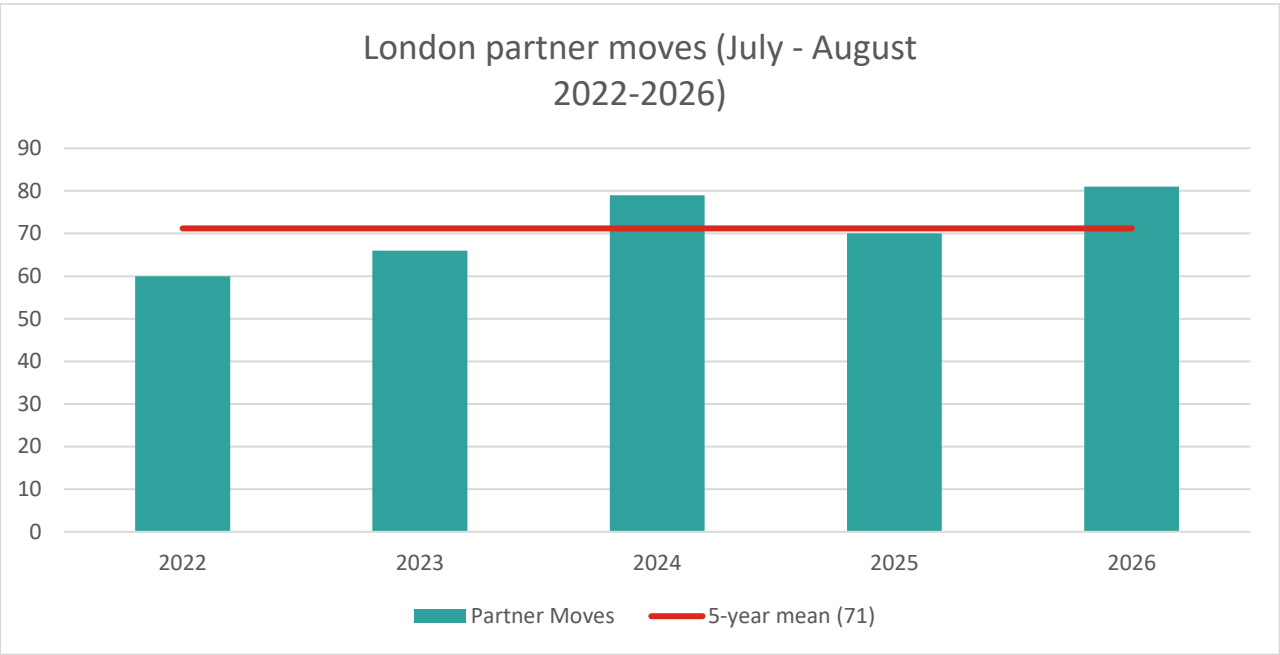


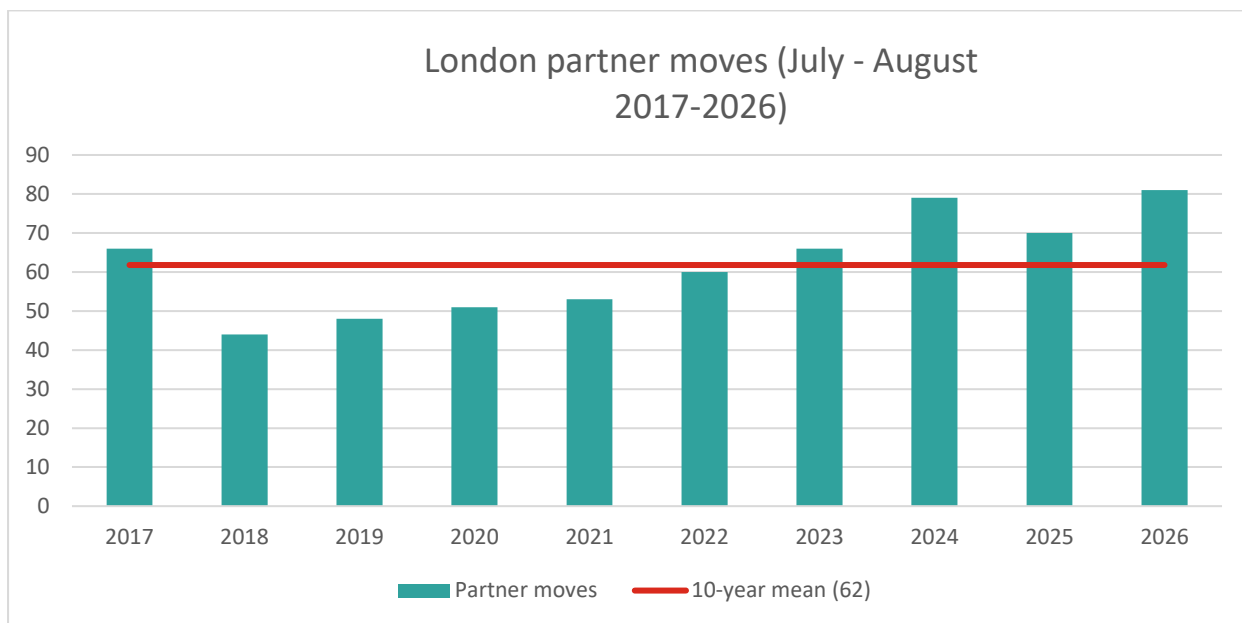
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Welcome to the 94th edition of Law Firm Partner Moves in London, from the specialist partner team at Edwards Gibson, where we look back at announced partner-level recruitment activity in London over the past two months and give you a ‘who’s moved where’ update. Our records go back to 2007, and this is [our methodology](#).

July – August 2026

Our July-August edition, traditionally the quietest period of the year for partner hire announcements, contains **81** partner moves, narrowly beating the previous record for the same two-month period - **79** - set in 2024. This represents **16%** growth on the **70** moves recorded in the same period last year and is **14%** up on the cumulative five-year average (**71**); and **31%** above the cumulative ten-year average (**62**) for the same period.





The most covetous firms this edition were **Ashfords**, **BCLP**, **DAC Beachcroft** and **Seyfarth Shaw** which hired **4** partners each, followed by **Paul Hastings**, **Simmons & Simmons** and **Simpson Thacher** which hired **3** partners apiece.

◆ Top partner recruiters in London July – August 2026

Ashfords	4	(4 laterals)
BCLP	4	(3 laterals)
DAC Beachcroft	4	(4 laterals)
Seyfarth Shaw	4	(4 laterals)
Paul Hastings	3	(2 laterals)
Simmons & Simmons	3	(2 laterals)
Simpson Thacher	3	(2 laterals)

In addition, **13** firms hired 2 partners each: **Addleshaw Goddard**, **Ashurst Perkins Coie**, **Bird & Bird**, **Bristows**, **CMS**, **DLA Piper**, **Edwin Coe**, **Gibson Dunn**, **Jones Day**, **Katten**, **Mishcon de Reya**, **Simons Muirhead Burton** and **Wedlake Bell**.

On the other side of the coin, over the same period, **Mishcon de Reya** suffered the highest attrition, losing **6** serving partners to rivals in London followed by **DWF** and **RPC** which both lost **3**.

◆ Firms with largest attrition in July – August 2026 (partnership to partnership moves only)

Mishcon de Reya	6
DWF	3
RPC	3
Browne Jacobson	2
Charles Russell Speechlys	2
DLA Piper	2
Eversheds Sutherland	2
RWK Goodman	2
Simpson Thacher	2



◆ Team hires July – August 2026

The largest multi-partner team move of this edition was Chicago-headquartered **Seyfarth Shaw**'s acquisition of a four-partner corporate team from Mishcon de Reya, including its head of corporate (see below). Little known in the London market, Seyfarth Shaw opened in the City in 2011 and has predominantly been operating as an employment boutique ever since. The acquisition of Mishcon's four-partner team almost doubles the size of its London partnership and represents its most significant London expansion to date.

Following that, two firms hired two-partner teams: **DAC Beachcroft** (which recruited two separate partner duos, one in cyber insurance from RPC and the other in public health from Browne Jacobson) and **Wedlake Bell** (which hired a commercial disputes team from RWK Goodman).

✦ A Mishcon-strued attempt at stability?

This edition records the defection of five serving corporate partners from **Mishcon de Reya** to rivals: four, including its head of corporate, to US firm **Seyfarth Shaw** (see above), and a private equity partner to **Charles Russell Speechlys**, who swiftly reunites with his former head of department, who arrived at the firm in May.

These departures, perhaps together with the loss of the firm's head of construction to DLA in July, coincide with reports that Mishcon de Reya considered amendments to its partnership agreement that would have made it considerably harder for partners to resign in certain circumstances. Indeed, according to the *Financial Times*, the proposed changes would have prevented other partners in a practice area from even submitting notice if more than 20 per cent of partners in that area had already resigned.

Perhaps owing to the adverse publicity, the proposal, which would arguably have amounted to a lock-in for the remaining partners in the corporate team at Mishcon de Reya, was ultimately abandoned.

History suggests that firms rarely contemplate partner lock-ins, or, as [Linklaters recently discovered, measures designed to withhold profit distributions from departing laterals](#), from a position of strength. While such initiatives are generally intended to promote stability, they risk creating precisely the opposite impression – or even a run on the bank - in a market where confidence and momentum matter.

✦ Slaughter and Mayfly

Of particular note in this edition is **Simpson Thacher**'s hire of sponsor-facing infrastructure M&A lateral **Murray Cox** from fellow New Yorker **Weil**. Whilst this may look like little more than another expensive intra-US-firm transfer, Cox occupies a distinctive place in London lateral hiring folklore. When he [defected to Weil in 2021](#), Cox was a highly regarded **Slaughter and May** corporate partner in his prime - not even remotely close to that firm's mandatory retirement age. Even now, he remains one of perhaps only two or three serving Slaughter and May partners whom the famously cohesive Magic Circle firm would have genuinely preferred to retain.

Cox's 2021 departure neatly foreshadowed the argument that, where Slaughter and May has lost partners it would rather have kept, they have been private capital-facing corporate names and that, [the further Slaughters pushes into sponsor-led private capital, the more exposed it becomes](#)

[to the economic pull of US law firms](#). However, Cox's latest move also illustrates another consequence of the remorseless economics of post-financial-crisis Big Law: in a market where the portability of sponsor relationships is king, trophy private capital laterals are statistically amongst the most likely to move again.

✦ **“Now AI become death, the destroyer (and occasional hirer) of lawyers ...”**

While legal tech providers and commentators are fond of highlighting both the opportunities and challenges presented by the emergence of agentic AI, most seem to agree that it is likely to result in a dramatic reduction in the number of lawyers, particularly at the junior end of the profession, not to mention posing an existential threat to the traditional Big Law model. Elsewhere, however, AI may finally be emerging as a lateral hiring theme in its own right.

While data, privacy and cyber have long featured as scions of the broader technology practice in partner recruitment, this edition records a number of appointments with expressly AI-focused mandates spanning legal transformation, governance, regulation and managed legal services. Although still a relatively small sample, the trend may indicate that law firms are increasingly viewing AI expertise as a standalone strategic capability rather than merely an extension of traditional technology practices. At least until AI eats them...

✦ **Other Fun Facts July – August 2026**

- **32%** of moves this edition were female (**26**).
- **4** firms hired from in-house or business: **Latham & Watkins** (from Hg Capital), **Sharpe Pritchard** (from Aberdeen), **Cleary Gottlieb** (from the Competition and Markets Authority), and **Bird & Bird** (from Nokia).
- **30%** of all moves (**24**) were moves from non-partnership roles (either moves from in-house or non-partners elevated to partnership upon moving from another law firm).

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✦ **Addleshaw Goddard**

Two laterals arrive at the international firm: disputes lawyer **Neville Byford**, from RPC; and rail specialist **Jason Chamberlain** from BCLP. Byford covers commercial litigation, arbitration, civil fraud and trust disputes, with a focus on the manufacturing, energy, financial services, healthcare and sport sectors. Chamberlain advises on commercial, regulatory, infrastructure and transactional matters across the rail sector in the UK and internationally.

✦ **Akin**

The Texan-founded firm elevates restructuring lawyer **Jonny Woods** from Weil, where he was a counsel, reuniting with **Neil Devaney**, **Lois Deasey** and **Matt Benson**, whose arrivals were covered in our [March – April edition](#). Like his former colleagues, Woods advises credit investors on cross-border restructurings, capital solutions and special situations.

✦ **Alius Law**

Aviation disputes specialist **Richard Mumford** moves to the litigation boutique from Clyde & Co. Mumford counsels in disputes relating to aircraft and engine finance, leasing, repossessions, chartering, maintenance, parts supply, regulatory investigations, insurance claims and fraud.

✦ **Ashfords**

A quartet of hires for the Exeter-headquartered firm which welcomes: corporate lawyer **Alexis Karim** from Charles Russell Speechlys; projects lawyer **David Cave** from Michelmores; trusts and estates specialist **Emma Harris** from Payne Hicks Beach; and real estate lawyer **James Lawrence** from Gateley's Guildford office. Karim counsels on private company M&A, private equity and venture capital investments. Cave specialises in infrastructure projects and project financing with a focus in PPP projects and public sector outsourcing. Harris advises on tax, trust, estate and succession planning issues for high-net-

worth clients. Lawrence focuses on residential property development.

✦ **Ashurst Perkins Coie**

Two new faces for the recently merged transatlantic firm in the form of real estate litigator **Sophie Schultz** from Stephenson Harwood and corporate tax specialist **Christopher Hyde** from Hogan Lovells Cadwalader, where he was a counsel. Schultz advises investors, developers, funders and corporates on property disputes with a particular angle in rights of light. Hyde has a focus on structured finance, capital markets and real estate tax.

✦ **Baker Botts**

The Houston-born firm nabs patent litigator **Kathleen Fox Murphy** from IP boutique EIP. Murphy focuses on infringement and validity disputes, interim injunctions, and competition law issues involving standard essential patents and FRAND licensing.

✦ **BCLP**

Four hires (three laterals and one vertical) for the global firm which welcomes: employment specialist **Caroline Noblet** from Squire Patton Boggs, where she was head of employment; corporate lateral **Sian Williams** from Baker Botts; technology lawyer **Rafi Azim-Khan** from Crowell & Moring, where he was head of digital law; and structured finance and securitisation specialist **Jérémie Bismuth** from Gide Loyrette Nouel, where he was a counsel. Noblet advises on contentious and non-contentious employment matters, including investigations, disputes and global compliance. Williams counsels on M&A, public takeovers and joint ventures across the energy, technology, real estate, life sciences and oil and gas sectors. Azim-Khan, who will be based in London and San Francisco as global head of digital and emerging technology, advises on AI, cybersecurity, data protection and digital regulation. Bismuth, who is dual English and

French qualified, focuses on RMBS, asset-backed financings, non-performing loan securitisations, sovereign-linked finance deals and sukuk programmes.

✦ **Bird & Bird**

A brace of hires for the technology-focused outfit which bags: legal transformation lateral **Shahin Baghaei** from EY Law, where he led the UK and Ireland legal transform and operate team; and in-house tech patent litigator **Huw Edwards** from Nokia, where he was director and head of litigation operations. Baghaei advises on AI-driven legal transformation, contracting processes and managed legal services, with experience across the life sciences, technology and financial services sectors. Edwards specialises in tech company disputes, including developing global patent assertion strategies and coordinating litigation campaigns.

✦ **Blake Morgan**

Corporate immigration lawyer **Dipesh Shah** defects to the national firm from JMW Solicitors. Shah, who joins his new home as head of corporate immigration, advises businesses on international hiring programmes, global mobility and immigration compliance.

✦ **Bristows**

One lateral and one vertical hire for the IP-focused City firm which adds: technology and AI specialist **Tom Sharpe** from TLT; and commercial disputes lawyer **Laura Steen** from Morrison Foerster, where she was a counsel. Sharpe advises on agentic AI, autonomous workflows and the procurement, governance and regulation of AI systems. Steen counsels on disputes involving commercial contracts, competition issues, trusts, fraud, directors' duties and contentious insolvency.

✦ **Browne Jacobson**

Insurance arbitration specialist **Antony Woodhouse** defects to the national firm from

DWF. Woodhouse advises London market and international insurance and reinsurance clients, with a particular focus on Bermuda Form arbitrations.

✦ **Burges Salmon**

Making the switch to the Bristol-headquartered firm from Farrer & Co is funds and financial services regulatory lateral **Jessica Reed**. Reed advises on fund structuring, authorisation and governance, with particular expertise in UK and European financial services regulation, ESG requirements and ongoing compliance.

✦ **Charles Russell Speechlys**

Arriving at the London-headquartered firm from Mishcon de Reya is corporate private equity lawyer **James Paterson**. Paterson whose move follows that of **Nadim Meer**, highlighted in [our last edition](#), advises founders and management teams on buyouts and growth capital investments, as well as counselling corporates on M&A, fundraising and joint ventures.

✦ **Cleary Gottlieb**

Competition lawyer **Naomi Burgoyne** joins the New York firm from the Competition and Markets Authority, where she was senior director of mergers. Burgoyne, who joins the antitrust team, specialises in merger control.

✦ **Clyde & Co**

The insurance flavoured global firm swipes insurance coverage specialist **Jack Holling** from DAC Beachcroft. Holling focuses on warranty and indemnity insurance, as well as cyber coverage matters, financial lines policies and professional indemnity risks.

✦ **CMS**

Two hires for the international firm which welcomes: technology and AI specialist **John Buyers** from Osborne Clarke, where he was head of the international AI team; and competition and FDI lawyer **Aniko Adam** from Clifford Chance,

where she was a counsel. Buyers advises on technology transactions, digital transformation and digital regulation, with a particular focus on AI and machine learning. Adam specialises in digital markets regulation, competition law and merger control, advising on transactions, investigations and compliance matters.

✦ **Collyer Bristow**

Litigator **Alex Vakil** defects from fellow West End firm Joelson to head the commercial disputes team. Vakil advises on contract, shareholder and professional negligence disputes, as well as defamation, privacy and data-related claims.

✦ **DAC Beachcroft**

A quartet of laterals for the national firm which adds a brace of two-partner teams: cyber insurance duo **Richard Breavington** and **Rachel Ford** from RPC; and public health pair **Charlotte Harpin** and **Matthew Alderton** from Browne Jacobson. Breavington and Ford advise insurers and corporates on cyber incidents, data breaches and technology errors and omissions claims, as well as coverage and policy-wording advice, privacy litigation and recoveries. Harpin and Alderton cover public law and regulatory matters affecting the health sector, including NHS governance, medicines and medical device regulation, judicial review, public inquiries and procurement litigation.

✦ **Devonshires**

The City firm elevates tax lawyer **Andrew Cromb** from Re:link, Linklaters' flexible lawyer platform, where he was a consultant. Cromb advises on corporate and real estate tax.

✦ **DLA Piper**

A brace of laterals for the global firm which bags: **Adriano Amorese** from Mishcon de Reya, where he was head of non-contentious construction; and finance lawyer **Jacob Durkin** from Simpson Thacher. Amorese advises on real estate construction and strategic procurement matters

across various sectors, including data centres, offices, residential, retail and hospitality. Durkin specialises in private credit and leveraged finance covering direct lending, acquisition financings and other debt financing transactions.

✦ **DWF**

Dual-qualified planner and solicitor **Stephen Webb** joins the private equity-owned firm as head of planning, from Brecher. Webb advises on all aspects of planning law covering new settlements and urban extensions, regeneration schemes, affordable housing and compulsory purchase.

✦ **Edwin Coe**

The London firm adds two laterals: property litigator **Paul Henson** from Irwin Mitchell; and private client specialist **Judith Millar** from Broadfield. Henson covers all areas of real estate disputes with a particular niche advising corporate occupiers in the leisure sector. Millar specialises in UK and international trusts and estate planning.

✦ **Gibson Dunn**

Two hires for the Los Angeles-headquartered giant which welcomes private equity real estate lateral **Angus Lennox** from Simpson Thacher; and incentives specialist **Richard Surtees** from Eversheds Sutherland. Lennox, who was managing director of Blackstone Europe [prior to joining Simpson Thacher](#) in 2023, advises on M&A, joint ventures, restructurings and platform transactions in the real assets space. Surtees counsels on the full spectrum of employee share schemes, incentive structures, and executive compensation matters.

✦ **Gowling WLG**

The Anglo-Canadian outfit elevates real estate finance lawyer **Imogen Benson** from TLT, where she was a managing associate. Benson covers a range of debt finance matters but focuses on real

estate finance, particularly in the hotels, hospitality and leisure sectors.

✦ **Harbottle & Lewis**

Arriving at the West End firm is employment lawyer **Peter Finding** from alternative firm Pierson Ferdinand. Finding advises on employment and workplace matters, focusing on international projects and litigation in the technology, sport, financial services and creative industries sectors.

✦ **Jones Day**

Two finance hires for the Ohio-born firm which welcomes structured finance lawyer **Harjeet Lall** from Pinsent Masons and fund finance and private credit specialist **Charlotte Lewis-Williams** from DLA Piper. Lall advises on securitisations, asset-backed finance, receivables financing and repack programmes. Lewis-Williams counsels on direct lending, private credit, leveraged finance, and fund finance matters including subscription line and NAV facilities.

✦ **Joseph Hage Aaronson & Bremen**

In an atypical hire, the elite disputes boutique elevates non-contentious private client specialist **Sara Morgan** from Fieldfisher, where she was a director. Morgan advises on tax and estate planning, structuring, trusts law, family governance issues, and HMRC enquiries and settlements.

✦ **Katten**

One lateral and one vertical hire for the Chicago-headquartered firm which adds: financial services regulatory lawyer **Charlotte Hill** from Charles Russell Speechlys; and structured products and derivatives specialist **Charles Wakiwaka** from Crowell & Moring, where he was a senior counsel. Hill specialises in financial services regulatory advisory work, particularly for fintech, payments and crypto businesses. Wakiwaka, whose move is a team follow-on from the hire of **Jennifer Kafcas** and **Alvino van Schalkwyk** [highlighted in our last](#)

[edition](#), advises on derivatives, structured finance and structured products.

✦ **Kirkland & Ellis**

The world's highest grossing firm elevates corporate lawyer **Jon Webb** from Paul Weiss, where he was an associate. Webb advises on M&A and private equity, counselling on carve-outs, co-investments, minority transactions and corporate advisory matters.

✦ **Latham & Watkins**

In-house private equity lawyer **Samantha McGonigle** joins the Los Angeles-spawned outfit from buyout firm Hg Capital, where she served as partner and general counsel. McGonigle, who was previously a partner at both Weil and Paul Hastings, advises on leveraged buyouts, M&A, minority investments and strategic transactions, with a particular focus on technology and software businesses.

✦ **Lewis Silkin**

Corporate crime specialist **Iskander Fernandez** makes the switch to the London firm from Kennedys. Fernandez advises on corporate crime proceedings involving allegations of bribery, corruption, fraud and money laundering as well as investigations arising from whistleblower complaints.

✦ **Mayer Brown**

The Chicago-spawned firm elevates trade finance lawyer **James Clarke** from Baker McKenzie, where he was a senior associate. Clarke focuses on emerging markets including export and agency and structured commodity finance covering pre-export finance, prepayment deals and borrowing base facilities.

✦ **Michelmores**

Joining the Exeter-headquartered outfit as head of international arbitration and trade is **Gordon Nardell KC** from barristers set Twenty Essex. Nardell specialises in international litigation and

arbitration, particularly sovereign disputes, international trade and investment matters, and disputes arising from the energy transition, infrastructure and utilities sectors.

✦ **Mishcon de Reya**

Two hires (one lateral and one vertical) for the London firm which welcomes: disputes specialist **Robert Rhoda** from the Hong Kong office of Dentons, where he was head of international arbitration; and direct real estate lawyer **Roshni Kotecha Chadda** from CMS, where she was a senior associate. Rhoda advises on international arbitration and cross-border litigation covering commercial and investment disputes across the financial services, technology and energy sectors. Chadda has a niche in commercial property acquisitions and portfolio management for corporate occupiers and the retail and technology sectors.

✦ **Paul Hastings**

Three new faces for the West Coast firm: a double restructuring hire comprising **Bevis Metcalfe** from Hogan Lovells Cadwalader and **Kieran Sharma** from Sidley Austin; and IP and technology lawyer **Chloe Kite** from Weil, where she was a counsel. Metcalfe, who was former co-chair of Cadwalader's financial restructuring group, focuses on corporate credit, restructurings, insolvencies and distressed M&A, with particular expertise in capital solutions transactions. Sharma, who led Sidley's London restructuring team, counsels on liability management, restructuring plans, insolvencies and distressed M&A. Kite covers data protection, cybersecurity and emerging technologies, as well as the IP aspects of disposals, private M&A and investments.

✦ **Reed Smith**

English and Belgian qualified antitrust lateral **Paul Johnson** defects to the international firm after an 18-month stint at Morgan Lewis. Johnson, who has a particular angle in the tech, life sciences and

energy sectors, advises on multi-jurisdictional UK and EU merger control, foreign investment reviews, joint ventures, cartels and abuse of dominance matters.

✦ **Ropes & Gray**

The Boston-born firm nabs life sciences specialist **Alison Dennis** from recently merged Winston Taylor. Dennis, who is legacy Taylor Wessing, advises pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers on regulatory and transactional matters, including negotiations with regulators and notified bodies, due diligence, and IP licensing.

✦ **RPC**

International arbitration lawyer **Solomon Ebere** decamps to the international firm from DWF. Ebere covers emerging markets commercial and investment treaty arbitration with a particular focus on Africa and Turkey.

✦ **Sackers**

Pensions specialist **Michael Jones** joins the pensions boutique from Eversheds Sutherland. Jones advises on defined contribution (DC) arrangements, including own-trust schemes, master trusts and provider mandates, as well as commercial pension schemes and emerging retirement savings structures.

✦ **Seyfarth Shaw**

The Chicago firm swipes a four-partner corporate team from Mishcon de Reya led by the former chair of corporate **Kevin McCarthy**, alongside laterals **Andrew Rimmington**, **Ross Bryson** and **Saul Sender**. McCarthy and Rimmington advise on M&A and private equity transactions, Bryson and Sender cover a range of corporate M&A and JVs with Bryson having a particular focus on corporate real estate, and Sender having an angle in capital markets.

✦ **Sharpe Pritchard**

In-house infrastructure finance lawyer **Victoria Heald-Barracough** joins the London firm from asset manager Aberdeen. Heald-Barracough advises on infrastructure and energy projects, including PPP, PFI and regulated infrastructure assets.

✦ **Shoosmiths**

The national firm elevates technology lawyer **Oscar Tang** from Clifford Chance, where he was a counsel. Tang advises technology platforms and other businesses on online safety, platform regulation and cybersecurity issues.

✦ **Sidley Austin**

Insurance M&A specialist **Carl Hotton** defects to the Chicago outfit from DLA Piper. Hotton advises insurers, reinsurers, intermediaries and financial sponsors on insurance portfolio transfers, reinsurance transactions, strategic investments, joint ventures, group reorganisations and related regulatory matters.

✦ **Simmons & Simmons**

A trio of new faces (two laterals and one vertical) for the international firm which adds: international arbitration specialist **Amir Ghaffari** from the eponymous Ghaffari Fussell; corporate and asset management lawyer **Jim McNally** from McDermott Will & Schulte; and fund finance vertical **Natalie Sharkey** from Reed Smith, where she was a counsel. Ghaffari, who joins as global co-head of international arbitration, specialises in construction arbitration and energy and project disputes. McNally, who is legacy Schulte Roth & Zabel, counsels on fundraising, corporate and transactional matters for alternative investment funds. Sharkey, [who is a follow-on move with Chu Ting Ng from our last edition](#), focuses on lender-side fund finance products including subscription, NAV, GP, co-invest, management line and continuation vehicle financings.

✦ **Simons Muirhead Burton**

Two corporate hires for the West End firm, which adds **Paul Glassberg** from Howard Kennedy and **Al Zucker**, who most recently worked as a freelance consultant. Both advise on M&A, fundraising and broader corporate transactions, with experience acting for entrepreneurs, investors and founder-led businesses.

✦ **Simpson Thacher**

Three additions (two laterals and one vertical) for the New York-headquartered firm, which welcomes: regulatory lawyer **Emma Rachmaninov** from Freshfields as co-head of its European financial services and funds regulatory team; corporate lawyer **Murray Cox** from Weil, which he [joined in 2021 in a high-profile lateral move from Slaughter and May](#); and derivatives lawyer **Netanya Clixby** from Sidley Austin, where she was a senior managing associate. Rachmaninov, a Freshfields lifer, advises on non-contentious financial services regulatory matters, including M&A, restructurings and IPOs. Cox, who joins the energy and infrastructure practice, advises on private equity and public M&A, with a particular focus on infrastructure deals. Clixby counsels on the structuring and negotiation of derivatives and other trading documentation, including securities lending and prime brokerage agreements.

✦ **Stephenson Harwood**

The international firm elevates private wealth litigator **Laura Hasson** from Clifford Chance, where she was a senior associate. Hasson advises on private wealth, contentious trust, family and succession disputes.

✦ **TLT**

Planning and development lawyer **John Webster** joins the Bristol-headquartered firm from DWF. Webster advises on regeneration, infrastructure and energy projects, with particular expertise in statutory consent, compulsory purchase and the delivery of large-scale residential developments.

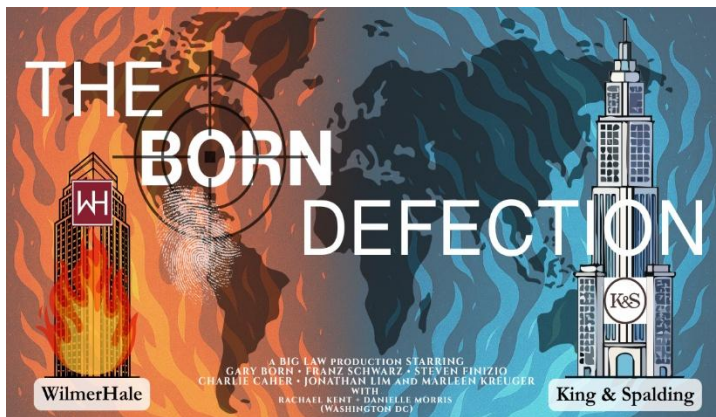
✦ **Wedlake Bell**

The City firm adds commercial disputes duo **Ellie Spencer** and **Dan Dodman** from RWK Goodman. The pair focus on civil fraud and asset recovery covering breach of duty claims, interim relief and financial services disputes.

✦ **White & Case**

The New York firm elevates debt finance lawyer **Marcus Chaplin-Roberts** from Weil, where he was a counsel. Chaplin-Roberts advises on leveraged finance, direct lending and high-yield transactions, alongside restructurings and special situations.

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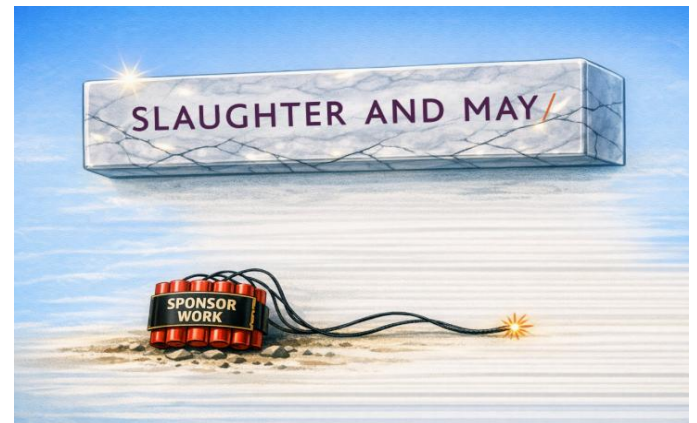
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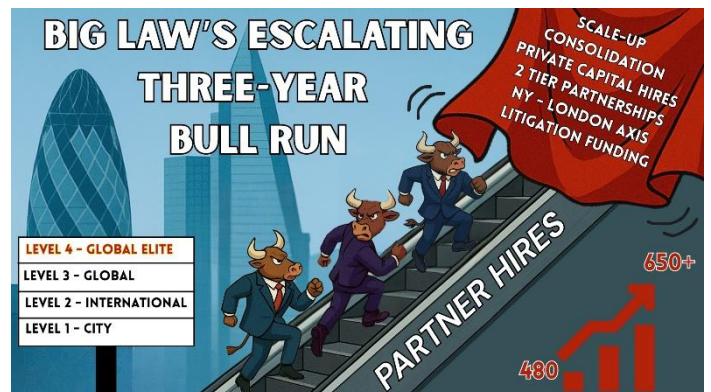
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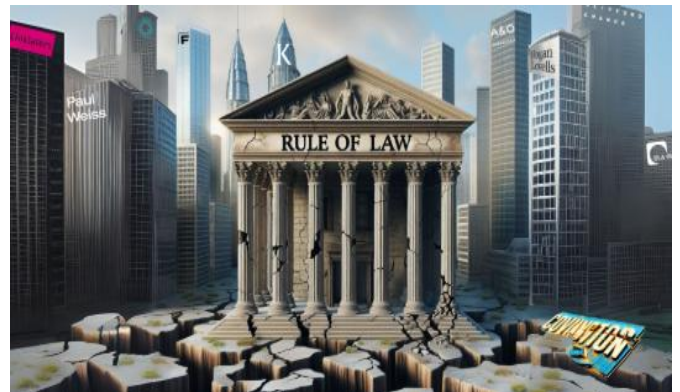
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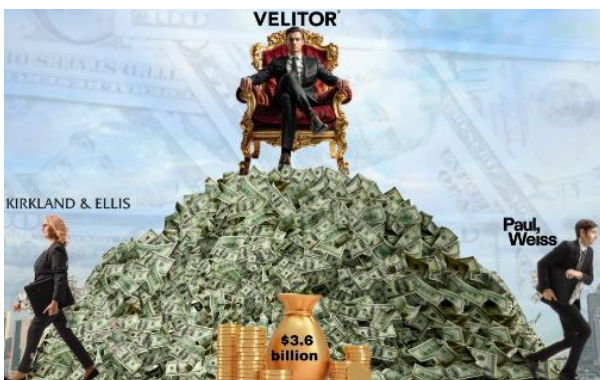


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