

# JEREMY WALDEN TO LEAD HERBERT SMITH FREEHILLS' UK & EMEA REAL ESTATE PRACTICE

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Herbert Smith Freehills has appointed London-based Jeremy Walden as its new Head of Real Estate for UK & EMEA with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> May.

Jeremy replaces Don Rowlands, who successfully held the role for nearly six years.

Jeremy has worked in the firm's real estate team for almost 25 years. He advises on all aspects of commercial property law with a particular focus on joint ventures, corporate structured investments, property finance and corporate occupier issues. He acts for some of the largest property companies, institutions, sovereign funds, banks and occupiers in the global real estate market.

Ranked in Chambers and Partners 2017, the directories highlight Jeremy's "*encyclopaedic technical knowledge,*" which he "*translates into commercial implications and practical solutions that are easily accessible for the client.*"

Commenting on his new role, Jeremy said: "*I'm delighted to take on the leadership of Herbert Smith Freehills UK & EMEA real estate team. The team has achieved a huge amount in recent years and owes a real debt of thanks to Don for guiding it so successfully through a period of significant market change. I am looking forward to building on the great things that Don has achieved to ensure the real estate team continues to develop its market leading reputation in the UK, EMEA and beyond.*"

Don said: "*It's been a fantastic few years where we have seen significant growth in the real estate business across the UK & EMEA region and appointed nine new partners. I am pleased to hand over the reins now to Jeremy, who has an outstanding reputation and is one of our truly great partners with enormous experience in real estate.*"

Don will continue in his role as client relationship partner for some of the real estate group`s core clients and actively assist with the growth of the international real estate practice.

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