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BACKGROUND

Prior to joining the team in Belfast in January 2013, Mark was a Senior Associate at a leading international law firm in London. He has over 15 years' experience as a corporate finance lawyer, acting on public and private company takeovers and acquisitions, IPOs, secondary fund raisings, joint ventures, private equity investments and corporate restructuring transactions. He has advised clients across a range of industries, with a particular emphasis on the energy, power and natural resources sectors.

KEY SERVICES

[ALT: Corporate](#)

EXPERIENCE

Mark is Head of Corporate for Alternative Legal Services in the UK, US and EMEA region and leads teams in Belfast and Johannesburg. He works closely with instructing teams across our network, and our ALT Corporate teams in Australia and China, to provide global alternative legal services support on corporate matters for the firm and its clients.

The size, scope and jurisdictions of Mark's team have expanded rapidly since the establishment of the Corporate offering in Belfast in 2013. From initially supporting instructing teams on due diligence work, the Corporate team now supports on capital markets transactions, complex outsourcing and IT contracts, investment funds work and large implementation projects. In addition, the team now works directly for a number of clients on NDAs, commercial contracts, large repapering projects and also provides flexible resource to in-house legal teams for one-off projects or 'business-as-usual' workstreams.

Mark and his team have worked for a number of the firm's key clients across a range of sectors, including TMT, Energy, Infrastructure, Financial Institutions and Consumer Products.

Mark has led many large teams on multi-jurisdictional and multi-practice area transactions and projects, including contractual and local legislation reviews, in addition to numerous due diligence exercises.