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BACKGROUND

Kim read law at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge and obtained an LLM at the Goethe University, Frankfurt.

KEY SERVICES

[Competition Litigation](#)
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KEY SECTORS

[Aviation](#)
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EXPERIENCE

Kim acts on the full range of EU and UK competition law issues, including strategic consideration across jurisdictions. Kim has a particular focus on litigation and cartel cases, as well as on merger control. She is a Solicitor Advocate and appears as an advocate in the Competition Appeal Tribunal.

Kim advises a range of clients, including in the transport, aviation, financial services, consumer goods and industrial sectors. She regularly speaks at international conferences and has published extensively on competition issues, including with respect to leniency and follow on litigation. She is a committee member of the Competition Law Association, the Law Society Competition Section, the City of London Law Society committee on private actions, and the International Chamber of Commerce, working partly on private actions.

Kim is highly rated by the major legal directories across both Competition law and Competition Litigation, recognised by Legal 500 as a 'leading individual' and lauded most recently by clients as 'experienced and tenacious'. Who's Who Legal: Competition describes her as 'a clever and strategic operator', who is praised for her cartels and litigation practice. Kim is also listed as an "Acritas Star" in the Acritas Star Report, a report on stand-out lawyers nominated by clients worldwide.

Kim's experience includes advising:

- Virgin Atlantic Airways on its consortium rescue and takeover of Flybe; on its proposed joint venture with Delta and AFKLM; the acquisition of a 31% shareholding in Virgin Atlantic by AFKLM; on the aviation regulatory aspects concerning a landmark £220 million securitisation financing using its take-off and landing slot portfolio at London Heathrow; and on the CAA's price control of Heathrow airport
- Willis Towers Watson in connection with the UK FCA's market study into wholesale insurance broking; and the EU Phase II merger clearance for the (later aborted) merger between Willis Towers Watson and Aon
- Iveco and Fiat Chrysler as coordinating and UK competition litigation counsel in relation to follow-on damages claims stemming from the European Commission's settlement decision in Trucks, one of the most high profile competition infringement and follow-on damages cases in Europe
- Danfoss on defending damages claims in the English High Court arising out of the European Commission refrigeration compressors cartel decision
- Gerber on its joint venture with Refresco involving a referral up from Member State review to the European Commission for EU Merger Regulation review and a divestment
- EU and UK airlines in connection with Brexit consequences and necessary restructurings

Kim's other clients include BHP, Pilkington, British Standards Institution (BSI), easyJet, TUI, Weir Group, and various confidential clients whom she advises on merger issues, competition law compliance work and cartel/leniency applications across a number of jurisdictions.
