

Dublin Office – One Year Anniversary

Corporate Deal Highlights 2024



Skanstec Group

Advised the shareholders of Skanstec Group, an Irish engineering company specialising in the energy and telecommunications sectors, on the sale of the company to Exponent-backed H&MV Engineering, the specialist electrical engineers.



Village Vets

Advised the shareholders of Village Vets on the investment by Inflexion Private Equity Partners. Village Vets is Ireland's largest organically grown group of veterinary practices.



We Are Planet

Advised the Advent International and Eurazeo-backed multinational payment solutions software group on its acquisition of Irish payment solutions company Fexco Tax Free.



Ecko

Advised Europe's fastest-growing, security-first managed cloud provider on its acquisition of Bluecube. Bluecube is an international IT and cybersecurity specialist, with the acquisition being Ecko's largest ever and effectively doubling its UK operations.



Clear Group

Advised Clear Group on its investments in MBC Insurance and Thomond Underwriting as part of a series of investments on which we have advised Clear Group across the UK and Ireland.



Eisvogel Group

Advised the pan European group on its investment in TekPak Automation, an Irish manufacturer of high-speed end-of-line packaging machinery.



BGF Investments

Advised the UK and Irish private equity firm on its investment in the Irish cosmetic surgery practice, Avoca Clinic.



Renatus Capital Partners

Advised the Irish and UK SME investor, on its investment in W.H. Scott, which specialises in the regulated lifting and industrial markets



IPCOM Group

Advised the leading European insulation group on its acquisition of UK and Ireland based RSL Group. RSL distributes refrigeration, air conditioning and associated equipment for industrial and commercial applications.



TDL Media

Advised the Michael O'Rourke backed investment business on its acquisition of a majority stake in the UK headquartered Finest Brands, the manufacturers of the Champion, Toggi and ProLine Sports ranges of protective clothing and equipment.



Wood Communications

Advised the shareholders of Irish headquartered Wood Communications, a distributor of products and complete systems for network infrastructure serving data centres, telecoms and security industries on the sale to Alcadon Group.



Decotek Automotive

Advised the Irish exterior trim automotive components manufacturer on its acquisition of the Czech Tier 1 Automotive supplier AAS Automotive.

Our Team



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Dennis Agnew leads our Dublin office and advises Irish and international companies on private M&A across a variety of sectors. Dennis was previously the founder member of another international law firm in Ireland and set up the New York office of one of Ireland's leading domestic firms. Dennis has over 25 years of experience in advising on M&A transactions, acting for a mixture of buyers, sellers, trade, private equity and management. Clients describe Dennis as "highly pragmatic, hands-on and solution focused"

"We really appreciated the excellent and professional job that Dennis did. It was very impressive." Client testimonial



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George Kennedy is a co-founder of our Dublin office, specialising in mergers and acquisitions. George has many years experience advising on all sides of private corporate M&A transactions (largely multi-jurisdictional). Much of his corporate practice is connected with private equity, acting for private equity funds, portfolio companies of private equity funds, sellers to private equity and management teams. George is relationship focused, commercially minded and entrepreneurial.

George is internationally recognised by The Legal 500 and Chambers (Global and Europe).

"He is very commercial, as well as very strong technically, and he guided us expertly through the negotiation of legal documents," and "George Kennedy is an excellent lawyer with a strong customer focus." Client testimonial



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Diarmuid Ryan is a partner and global chair of our Competition – Antitrust Practice based in our London, Brussels and Dublin offices. Diarmuid specialises in all aspects of UK, EU and Irish competition and state aid law, with extensive experience of advising on merger control investigations, cartel/abuse of dominance investigations and market investigations before the UK Competition and Markets Authority, the European Commission, the Irish Competition and Consumer Protection Commission and other national authorities throughout the EU (and beyond), as well as on competition law disputes before the UK and EU courts. Diarmuid is recommended as a leading practitioner in Who's Who Legal (Competition) 2024, Chambers UK 2024 and The Legal 500 UK 2024.

"A very sharp, commercially aware lawyer who can deal with complex matters." Client testimonial

Corporate Practice

We are a leading global law firm with more than 390 corporate lawyers spanning our firm, including more than 100 corporate lawyers across our five UK and Ireland offices.

Our Dublin office offers highly specialised corporate and transactional legal services, particularly M&A, private equity and foreign direct investment, backed by the full range of ancillary legal support from across our global network. The team focuses on assisting domestic and international companies on a diverse range of domestic and cross-border matters.

Ranked 3rd – UK: Announced Deals (ranked by volume of deals),
Q1, 2024 – Factset

Ranked 9th – Europe: Announced Deals (ranked by volume of deals), Q1 2024 – Factset

Ranked 11th – Global: Europe: Announced Deals (ranked by volume of deals), Q1 2024 – Factset







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