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ILO Client Choice Awards

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Expertise

Patrick Spicer is a senior partner in the Corporate M&A Group.

Patrick acts for a large range of international companies doing business in and from Ireland, and specialises in particular in public and private company M&A, private equity transactions, equity fundraisings, reorganisations and refinancings.

Patrick has contributed articles to many leading international legal publications, including the Irish chapter to the *Private Equity Handbooks* (2005-2009) published as part of the *PLC Cross Border Handbooks*, and the Irish chapter to the *European Mergers and Acquisitions Review* (published by *Law Business Research*).

Patrick is the 2017 International Law Office Client Choice award winner for Corporate Law in Ireland.

Experience Highlights

Paddy has advised:

- Nexvet Biopharma plc on its recommended acquisition by Zoetis Inc
- Allergan on its \$66 billion merger with Actavis (NYSE)
- Perella Weinberg Partners LP on its role as financial adviser to US medical device maker Medtronic, Inc. on its \$42.9 billion acquisition of Dublin-based Covidien plc
- Questcor Inc on the Irish aspects of its \$5.6 billion merger with Mallinckrodt plc
- Apax, a major shareholder, in relation to the initial public offering by King Digital Entertainment PLC on the New York Stock Exchange, which valued the company at \$8 billion.
- Actavis Inc on its \$8.5 billion acquisition of Warner Chilcott plc
- Eaton Corporation on its acquisition of Cooper Industries plc, valued at \$11.8 billion
- William Grant & Sons Limited on the €300 million acquisition of the international spirits division of C&C Group Plc
- William Grant & Sons Limited on the sale of Carolans, Frangelico and Irish Mist brands to Italian drinks producer Gruppo Campari for €129 million
- Tokyo Electron Limited on its acquisition of Magnetic Solutions Limited
- two leading pharmaceutical companies on their purchases of large pharmaceutical manufacturing facilities
- Xerox Corporation on its acquisition of Irish Business Services Limited

- Verint Systems Inc on its acquisition of Iontas Limited
- BC Partners on the Irish aspects of the €600 million acquisition of the Spotless Group
- EcoSecurities Group plc in defending a hostile takeover bid from Guanabara Holdings BV and the subsequent recommended offer from Carbon Acquisition Company Limited

Accolades

Patrick Spicer is recommended.

European Legal 500 2020

Patrick Spicer is named a leading individual.

European Legal 500 2020

"Patrick is always available at any hour, he is very detailed and I like how he describes things in a language that I can understand."

Corporate: Chambers Global 2020

Patrick Spicer is named 'Highly Regarded'

IFLR1000 2020

Patrick Spicer is named a leading individual.

European Legal 500 2019

The renowned Patrick Spicer acts on an array of mandates, including public M&A transactions and corporate reorganisations.

Corporate: Chambers Global 2019

Patrick Spicer has *"great technical skills with strong network. He is also very commercial."*

IFLR1000 2019

Recognised for Corporate Law, and Mergers and Acquisitions Law

Best Lawyers Ireland 2019 edition

Patrick Spicer *"immediately understands the issues and the dynamics of a deal. He is extremely accessible and works well with lawyers and clients alike."*

Chambers Global and Europe 2018

Patrick Spicer is recommended.

European Legal 500 2020

Patrick Spicer is named a Highly Regarded Individual.

IFLR1000 2018

Recognised for Mergers and Acquisitions Law, and Corporate Law

Best Lawyers Ireland 2018 edition

Patrick Spicer is named a leading individual.

European Legal 500 2017

Patrick Spicer stands out for his work on M&A, takeovers and refinancing. Clients appreciate that he is *"extremely easy to get on with, friendly and responsive with an effective negotiating style"*.

Chambers Global & Europe 2017

Client Choice Award Winner for Corporate Law in Ireland

International Law Office 2017

Patrick is a "key legal and business advisor and one of our company's best assets; he continually puts the interests of the business first and his advice is always accurate, relevant and focussed."

International Law Office 2017

Patrick's "legal advice is first class; what distinguishes him is not only his legal knowledge but the commercial awareness and experience he brings to the table."

International Law Office 2017

Patrick Spicer is named a Leading Lawyer.

IFLR1000 2017

Patrick Spicer is named a leading individual.

European Legal 500 2016

Patrick Spicer comes recommended for his "high-quality work and definite experience".

Chambers Global & Europe 2016

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Chambers Global 2016

Patrick Spicer is named a leading lawyer.

IFLR1000 2016

Mergers and Acquisitions, and Private Equity expert

Euromoney Expert Guide 2015

Patrick Spicer is named a leading individual.

European Legal 500 2015

Practice head Patrick Spicer is "knowledgeable and committed".

European Legal 500 2015

Patrick Spicer "is an excellent individual – he is logical and straightforward, and keeps things simple and very commercial".

Chambers Global & Europe 2015

Patrick Spicer is named a leading lawyer.

IFLR1000 2015

Patrick Spicer is "an outstanding lawyer".

European Legal 500 2014

Patrick Spicer's "knowledge of Irish and international law is second to none". He is praised for his ability to "find creative structures that work". According to one source, "he commands tremendous respect and is very hands-on and proactive".

Chambers Global & Europe 2014

Patrick Spicer "is about the most personable lawyer I've worked with in 30 years of practice; he makes you feel like you are his only client".

IFLR1000 2014

Patrick Spicer's work ethic is incredible.

IFLR1000 2014

Patrick Spicer is a "truly exceptional lawyer".

European Legal 500 2013

Patrick Spicer "*is a bright guy and an outstanding operator*".

Chambers Global 2013

Patrick Spicer is also recognised as a leading lawyer by a number of international legal directories including **European Legal 500** and **Best Lawyers**.

Education

Trinity College Dublin (LLB)

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