



Shay Lydon adopts an "intellectually strong, pragmatic, solution-based approach" to funds law.

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Expertise

Shay Lydon is a partner in the Asset Management and Investment Funds Group at Matheson. He practices corporate and financial services law and advises many of the world's leading financial institutions, investment banks, asset management companies and service providers carrying on business in Ireland or through Irish vehicles.

Shay has advised a wide range of domestic, continental, UK and US investment banks and financial institutions in relation to the legal and regulatory issues relating to the structuring, establishment and operation of mutual and alternative investment funds in Ireland, their listing on the Irish Stock Exchange, and the restructuring and amalgamation of such funds. He has advised on the Irish interpretation and implementation of European financial services directives, and has liaised with foreign counsel in many EU member states and other countries with respect to the marketing of Irish investment funds in those jurisdictions. He has also advised in relation to the structuring, offer and sale of investment instruments, the public issuance of equity and debt securities, the provision of investment advice and other financial services.

Shay was a member of the editorial committee of the inaugural edition of the Hibernian Law Journal. He has presented papers to client seminars and meetings on various topics relating to financial services regulation.

Experience Highlights

Shay has advised on:

- the establishment of Qualifying Investor Funds, including master-feeder structures, funds of funds, private equity funds, property funds and arbitrage funds
- the establishment of UCITS, including equity funds, bond funds, structured products, 130/30 funds and money market funds
- the marketing of Irish funds in Europe and Asia and the registration of Irish UCITS in Hong Kong, Taiwan and Japan
- the cross-border merger of an Irish and Luxembourg UCITS
- the restructuring of a number of Irish funds, preparing schemes of amalgamation and obtaining relevant Financial Regulator, Irish Stock Exchange and shareholder approvals
- the listing of Cayman and Jersey funds on the Irish Stock Exchange by leading international fund managers

- a broad range of securitisation structures using Irish special purpose vehicles in accordance with relevant provisions of Irish company and tax law

Accolades

Shay Lydon is recommended.

European Legal 500 2020

Shay Lydon is "*very knowledgeable and responsive. Strong client relationship management*".

European Legal 500 2020

"Shay Lydon can always put things into context and helps us to understand how changes in regulations impact our business."

Investment Funds: Chambers Global 2020

Shay Lydon is named 'Highly Regarded'

IFLR1000 2020

Shay Lydon is recommended.

European Legal 500 2019

Clients stress Shay Lydon's "*incredibly short response time, accessibility and top-notch knowledge*".

Chambers Global & Europe 2018

Shay Lydon is named a Highly Regarded Individual

IFLR1000 2018

Shay Lydon is highly knowledgeable about Irish funds law, with sources perceiving him as a "*dynamic guy*" who is "*active in the industry*".

Chambers Global & Europe 2017

Shay Lydon is named a Leading Lawyer.

IFLR1000 2017

Shay Lydon is praised for his international outlook, with experience of investment regulation throughout Europe and globally.

Chambers Global 2016

Clients say Shay Lydon "*has really been at the forefront of our work, and provides great insight*".

Chambers Global 2016

Shay Lydon is named a Leading Lawyer.

IFLR1000 2016

Shay Lydon adopts an "*intellectually strong, pragmatic, solution-based approach*" to funds law.

Chambers Global & Europe 2015

Shay Lydon is praised by clients as "*up-and-coming, conscientious and a safe pair of hands*".

Chambers Global & Europe 2014

Shay Lydon is also recommended by **European Legal 500**.

Education

University College Dublin (Financial Services Law Diploma)

Oxford University (BCL)

Trinity College Dublin (LLB)

Related Practice Areas

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