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Ben Perry practices primarily English law and advises on a wide range of transactions, in particular cross-border mergers and acquisitions and private equity. He is currently ranked as a leading individual for M&A by *The Legal 500 United Kingdom* and as highly regarded for M&A and private equity by *IFLR 1000*.

Since 2010, Ben has overseen the development of a trainee solicitor programme in the London office, which welcomed its first trainee solicitors in 2013. Ben was named “Best Training Principal” at the *LawCareers.Net* Training and Recruitment Awards in 2014 and 2016.

Ben is involved in the wider legal profession as a member of the main committee of the City of London Law Society, which is the representative body for more than 15,000 solicitors working in the City of London. He is also a member of the training committee of the City of London Law Society and a member of the committee overseeing the City Solicitors Horizons social mobility initiative.

SELECTED REPRESENTATIONS

- **e&** in its acquisition of a passive 9.8% stake in Vodafone Group Plc for \$4.4 billion, becoming Vodafone’s largest shareholder
- **West Street Infrastructure Partners**, on its takeovers of Adapteo, Calisen and CityFibre and on the capital raisings of CityFibre
- **Goldman Sachs’ Asset Management Division** on the sale of Caldic, the sale of Navico, the acquisition of Amedes, the IPO and subsequent sale of shares in HeadHunter, its acquisition of a 33% stake in, and on the subsequent IPO of, EcoOnline, its acquisition of a 50% stake in and on the IPO of, and subsequent sales of shares in, Hastings Insurance (including the sale of a 29.9% stake to Rand Merchant Investment), its investment in LeasePlan, LeasePlan’s spin-off of CarNext and subsequent merger with the Constellation Automotive and the pending acquisition of LeasePlan by ALD, its initial acquisition and subsequent sale of NGA HR and various other transaction

PRACTICES & CAPABILITIES

Infrastructure

Europe

General Practice

Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG)

Mergers & Acquisitions

M&A Financial Advisory

Private Equity

Project Development & Finance

EDUCATION

1996, College of Law, Chester, Diploma in Legal Practice

1995, University of Oxford, M.A.

BAR ADMISSIONS

England and Wales

New York

- **Liquidnet** in its sale to TP ICAP
- **Piper Sandler** on its acquisition of The Valence Group
- **Spirit AeroSystems** on its acquisition of Bombardier's aerostructures and aftermarket services operations in Belfast, Casablanca and Dallas
- **C.banner** on its disposal of Hamleys and its proposed acquisition of House of Fraser
- **Apollo** on its proposed takeovers of FirstGroup and RPC Group
- **Elis** on its takeover of Berendsen
- **Caisse de dépôt et placement du Québec (CDPQ)** on its investment, in the form of debt and equity, to support SNC-Lavalin's takeover of WS Atkins
- **Kennedy Wilson Europe Real Estate** on its merger with Kennedy-Wilson Holdings
- **Fifth Third Bank** in connection with a transaction agreement with Vantiv to facilitate Vantiv's takeover of Worldpay Group
- **Fiera Capital** on its acquisition of Charlemagne Capital
- **Canada Pension Plan Investment Board** on the sale of its shares in Pets at Home, its acquisition of a stake in NEW Asurion Corporation, its acquisition of a stake in Entertainment One and the subsequent acquisition of Entertainment One by Hasbro, its acquisition of a stake in Grupo Costanera, its acquisition (as part of a consortium) of AWG, its funding for Genivar's offer for WSP, its arrangements with Hermes Infrastructure to acquire a stake in Associated British Ports and various other transactions
- **Goldman Sachs** and **Canada Pension Plan Investment Board** on their proposed acquisition of the investment portfolio of SVG Capital
- **Goldman Sachs** as financial adviser to Outotec on its combination with Metso Minerals, to MMC on its acquisition of JLT, to Vista Equity Partners on their acquisition of Misys, to Cirrus Logic on its acquisition of Wolfson Microelectronics, to Nikon Corporation on its acquisition of Optos and to Mitsui Sumitomo Insurance on its acquisition of Amlin
- **Centerview** as financial adviser to the board of directors of Nightstar Therapeutics on its acquisition by Biogen
- **Goldman Sachs Group** on the sale of its remaining interest in Rothesay Life to a consortium of Blackstone, GIC, and Mass Mutual
- **APR Energy** on its takeover by a consortium led by Fairfax and its acquisition of GE's power rental business
- **Stryker Corporation** on its acquisition of Stanmore Implants
- **York Capital Management**, as a shareholder in Globalworth, in connection with Growthpoint Properties' investment in Globalworth, and on the restructuring and recapitalisation of Bibby Offshore
- **Apollo** and **CVC Capital Partners** on the takeover of Brit Insurance by Fairfax
- **Apollo** and **CVC Capital Partners** on their takeover, and on the IPO, of Brit Insurance

- **Lightyear Capital** on its acquisition of a majority interest in Cooper Gay Swett & Crawford
- **CGI Group** on its takeover of Logica
- **Rio Tinto** on its acquisition of Turquoise Hill and the sale of the Alcan Beauty Packaging business to Sun Capital Partners
- A consortium led by **Silver Lake Partners** on the acquisition of Skype
- **Arcandor** (formerly **KarstadtQuelle**) on the merger of Thomas Cook with MyTravel
- The chairman and CEO of **Abbot Group** on the company's takeover by First Reserve
- **PAION** on its takeover of CeNeS Pharmaceuticals
- **Finmeccanica** on the financing for its acquisition of DRS Technologies Inc.
- **Constellation Energy** on the sale of its international commodities business
- The consortium that owns and operates **The Baku-Tbilisi-Ceyhan** pipeline on commercial and shareholder arrangements and financing