

Browne Jacobson continues strategic expansion in Wales with new corporate partner

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UK & Ireland law firm Browne Jacobson announces further growth to its corporate team with the appointment of partner Phil Pugh.

Phil joins the firm from Acuity Law and with more than 15 years of experience, has acted on a wide range of high value and cross border transactions including acquisitions, disposals, investments, joint ventures and restructures.

Phil has specialist experience in technology, healthcare and education sectors and advises a diverse portfolio of clients, recently advising on the sale of a Premier League football club to an American consortium.

Phil's appointment comes at a time of continued strategic expansion for Browne Jacobson's corporate team, following the recent appointments of corporate partners Tom Saunderson and Christian Farrow to the firm's Cardiff office, and Gavin Bluett to grow the firm's Dublin-based corporate offering.

The appointment is also a boon for the firm's expanding Cardiff office which opened in 2023. Since then, headcount in Cardiff has tripled, with further appointments to be announced.

Richard Cox, Partner and Head of Browne Jacobson's corporate team, said:

"This year marks a significant moment for our corporate practice strategy. We took the decision to expand our teams across the UK and Ireland and, in doing so, we've significantly enhanced our capability to navigate complex domestic and international transactions across our key sectors. Our rising directory rankings and robust financial performance validate our approach, and we are excited about the positive impact Phil will bring to the team and our expansion in Cardiff"

Phil Pugh, Partner at Browne Jacobson, said:

"Browne Jacobson's measured expansion across the UK and Ireland represents a compelling trajectory of growth. The firm's decisive entry into the Welsh market, through the launch of its [Cardiff office](#), has already established a prestigious client roster. I am joining the team during a very dynamic period and look forward to contributing to the firm's continued success."

Browne Jacobson's expanding corporate and [M&A department](#) has extensive experience assisting both public and private clients on domestic and cross-border transactions including M&A, investments, and restructuring. The team has broad sector coverage, including [retail and consumer](#), [real estate and construction](#), [manufacturing and industrials](#), [energy and infrastructure](#), and [technology](#).

Recent transactions which the firm has advised on include [national retailer The Range on its acquisition of Homebase](#), and global digital transformation services provider [Bluprintx's acquisition of US-based e-commerce consultancy ITG Commerce](#).

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