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Overview

Hazel is a corporate and commercial lawyer who advises Isle of Man companies listed on the AIM, LSE Main Market, NEX Exchange and TISE capital markets in relation to IPOs, reverse takeover, restructuring and rights issues. As part of her varied practice she also provides corporate advice on complex Isle of Man company law issues and commercial advice to clients in relation to a wide variety of transactional work. Other areas of expertise include acquisition and asset finance, corporate banking and finance, business and asset sales, and joint venture arrangements.

Hazel also advises on regulatory and compliance issues, offering expert advice to clients on their legal obligations under the Island's financial services legislation.

She is also an accredited Data Protection Practitioner, and often advises on data protection and GDPR, with a focus on corporate matters and contractual obligations with third-party service providers.

Expertise

- Corporate law (Isle of Man)
- Capital markets and funds
- Mergers and acquisitions
- Joint ventures and private equity
- Lending and security documentation
- Regulatory, corporate governance and compliance issues
- Data protection including GDPR
- Fintech sector (Isle of Man)

Cases

- Acted for a Jersey Regulated Fund in its re-domicile to the Isle of Man and subsequent listing (as an unregulated CEIC) on ISDX. Acted for the Issuer in respect of a £3.5 billion debt listing on TISE (IOM branch).

- Acted on the Isle of Man aspects of premium segment listed Isle of Man company in respect of its £4 billion acquisition of a high-street bookmaker including advising on the financing aspect of the transaction.
- Advised several Isle of Man banks in relation to standard terms and conditions, facility documentation and security documentation.
- Acted for both investor into a trade finance company and a trade finance company in relation to their on-lending to clients.
- Advised a UK investment bank in relation to Isle of Man licensing requirements and the Isle of Man law aspects of the purchase documentation for various loan books.
- Advised an Isle of Man-based investment platform on the application of MIFID II to its business.
- Advised blockchain/digital asset companies in relation to aspects of regulation within the Island, and provision of advice in respect of the regulatory requirements of ICO issuing companies.
- Provided general commercial advice to a number of Isle of Man-based e-sports and online gaming companies including preparation of T&Cs, EULAs, and IP licensing arrangements.
- Assisted with the sale of two regulated businesses (both Class 4/5).
- Acted for the purchaser of shares in an OGRA licence holding company.
- Provision of advice to various clients in relation to data protection requirements and the implementation of GDPR.
- Advised on the proposed private acquisition of a controlling shareholding and the subsequent reorganisation of an Isle of Man close-ended investment company with a substantial European property portfolio.
- Numerous transactional matters, including assisting in the sale of a UK-based data centre portfolio with a deal value of \$1.1 billion 71,000 square metres.

Recognition

Recognised as a Next Generation Lawyer in The Legal 500 2019 and 2018 for Investment Funds and Capital Markets, and Banking and Finance.

Career

2019	Keystone Law <i>Consultant Solicitor</i>
2016 - 2019	DQ Advocates <i>Senior Associate</i>
2011 - 2016	Adelphi Legal Solutions Ltd <i>Associate</i>
2008 - 2011	Chan Law LLC <i>Assistant</i>
2008	Qualified as a solicitor