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About Francesca

Francesca Fellowes is a director in our Data Privacy, Cybersecurity & Digital Assets team based in our Leeds office. She has a wealth of experience in advising on a wide spectrum of data privacy issues, including managing large-scale projects involving multiple data flows and advising on commercial arrangements involving complex issues of data ownership and use.

She is particularly experienced in managing cross-jurisdictional data privacy compliance projects for multinational clients, which deal with the compliance required throughout the client's group, relating for example, to global HR databases, FCPA investigations and whistleblowing hotlines.

Francesca provides clients with a full-range of data privacy advice services, including advice on how to comply with the new EU General Data Protection Regulation, GDPR compliance audits, handling complaints from the Information Commissioner, responding to contentious data subject access requests, drafting Model Clauses, privacy policies and data sharing agreements and advising on monitoring and surveillance issues. She advises clients in a wide range of industries, including financial services, pensions, retail and manufacturing, sport and leisure, direct marketing, credit reference and debt recovery agencies.

Francesca provides regular contributions to both internal and external publications, dealing with topical data privacy issues. Recent titles include "UK Data Protection Bill Published", "European Commission Finds Privacy Shield 'Adequate' But Uncertainty Remains" and "Brexit – What Next for Data Privacy in the UK?"

Experience

- Acting for a major investment management company in relation to a dispute regarding the ownership of the copyright in all of their client-facing materials.
- Acting for National Oilwell Varco Inc., worldwide leader in the design, manufacture and sale of
 equipment and components used in oil and gas drilling and production operations and the
 provision of oilfield services, in relation to the prosecution of a company for possession of
 counterfeit parts.

- Advising a global medical devices manufacturer in relation to the data protection aspects of a product recall.
- Advising a local authority in relation to a dispute with its exiting service provider regarding the ownership of the intellectual property in a number of software applications.
- Drafting a bespoke Manufacturing Agreement for a chemicals manufacturer.
- Reviewing and reporting on Standard Terms and Conditions of Purchase for a global provider of wireless coverage solutions.
- Advising Cummins Inc., a global engineering and power solutions provider headed-up in the US, on data protection compliance in relation to the consolidation of the servers of 12 of their European offices onto servers in the US and UK. Managing the legal compliance for their in-house counsel.

Credentials

Education

• University of Leeds, L.P.C., 1999

Admissions

• England and Wales, 2001

Recognitions

- Recommended as a Next Generation Lawyer in Legal 500 UK 2017 IT and Telecoms
- Recommended in Legal 500 UK 2017 for Corporate and Commercial

Expertise

Services

• Data Privacy, Cybersecurity & Digital Assets

Industries

Life Sciences

Speaking Engagements

• Panellist, "How Can Regulation Help Build Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence", CPDP 2021, 28 January 2021.

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