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About George

George Kennedy specialises in corporate M&A.

George acts for corporates (indigenous and international), scaling globally. George has extensive experience advising private business owners and investors, and trade buyers and sellers.

Much of George's corporate practice is connected with private equity, acting for private equity funds, portfolio companies of private equity funds, sellers and management teams.

George regularly advises management teams, boards of directors and shareholders on corporate governance matters, Companies Act compliance and directors' duties.

George is internationally recognised by *The Legal 500* and *Chambers (Global and Europe)*.

Clients comment, "He is very commercial, as well as very strong technically, and he guided us expertly through the negotiation of legal documents," and "George Kennedy is an excellent lawyer with a strong customer focus."

Experience

- Acting for the sellers of Snigel to CBPE (2023).
- Acting in the sale of a majority stake in H&MV Engineering to MML Ireland in 2015, to Novus Technical Services in 2018 and to Exponent in 2022.
- Acting for Renatus acquiring a majority stake in Tipperary Crystal (2021).
- Acting for BGF investing in Croom Medical (2020).
- Acting for Comfortdelgro acquiring Gobus (2022).
- Acting for BHSL acquiring Glan Agua group (2022).
- Acting for the sellers of Limerick Packaging to Zeus Packaging (2021).
- Acting for Ellab (majority owned by EQT, private equity), acquiring ITL, Qualus and Autocal (2019, 2020 and 2022).
- Acting for Action Point acquiring P2V (2019) and ICT Project Management (2021).

- Acting for the sellers of Action Point to Viatel (2021).
- Acting for Ardmac acquiring majority ownership of Cental Engineering (2020 and 2022).

Consolidation in Insurance Brokers

- Acting for Goggin Insurance in its sale to Innovu (2021) (then owned by MML).
- Acting for McMahon Galvin in its sale to Aston Lark (2021).
- Acting for JF Dunne in its sale to Aston Lark (2022).
- Acting for Sullivans in its sale to PIB (2022).
- Acting for MBC Insurance in its sale to Clear Group (2023).

Consolidation in IT Services

- Acting in the sale of Wren Data to Weltel (2022).
- Acting for the sellers of Action Point to Viatel (2021).

Consolidation in Fuel Distribution

- Acting in the sale of Tara Oil to East Cork Oil.
- Acting in the sale of Vale Oil to East Cork Oil.

Consolidation in Nursing Homes

- Acting in the sale of Athlunkard Nursing Home to Orpea.
- Acting in the sale of Millbrae Nursing Home to Orpea.

Credentials

Education

- Law Society of Ireland, Diploma in Intellectual Property Law, 2008
- Law Society of Ireland, Diploma in Financial Services Law, 2007
- University College Dublin, Bachelor of Business and Legal Studies, 2003

Admissions

- Ireland, 2008

Memberships & Affiliations

- Chartered Tax Advisor (currently non-practising) with the Irish Tax Institute, 2008

Recognitions

- Recognised by *The Legal 500*: "George Kennedy is a huge driver of innovation and always wants to help. He has a fantastic business mind and drives HOMS forward in many areas."
- Recognised by *Chambers Europe*: "He is very commercial as well as very strong technically and he guided us expertly through the negotiation of legal document."
- Recognised by *Chambers Global*: "George Kennedy is an excellent lawyer with a strong customer focus."

Expertise

Services

- Corporate
- Private Equity

About our firm

One of the world's strongest integrated law firms, providing insight at the point where law, business and government meet. We deliver commercially focused business solutions by combining our legal, lobbying and political capabilities and invaluable connections on the ground to a diverse mix of clients, from long-established leading corporations to emerging businesses, startup visionaries and sovereign nations. More than 1,500 lawyers in over 40 offices across four continents provide unrivaled access to expertise.