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About Mark

Mark Yeo is an EMEA lead of our Healthcare Group and a partner in the London office. His practice covers UK and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, private equity and venture capital, public equity and joint ventures. Mark acts for clients in a variety of sectors, including sports, healthcare, leisure, retail and media.

Mark previously spent eight months working in-house as UK Legal Counsel for Yum! Restaurants International (the owners of Pizza Hut, KFC and Taco Bell).

Experience

- Acting on the acquisitions and sales of a number of Premier League and Championship football clubs, including acting for UK Sports Investments Limited on the sale of Manchester City Limited to Abu Dhabi United Group Investment & Development Limited, a company controlled by Sheikh Mansour of Abu Dhabi, and advising UK Football Investments LLP and principal shareholder Milan Mandarić on the sale of Championship Football League club Sheffield Wednesday to Thai businessman Dejphon Chansiri.
- Acting for Chelsea Football Club on the cancellation of shares held by BSkyB in a digital media joint venture.
- Advising Premier League clubs on the impact of the Financial Fair Play Regulations.
- Advising the shareholders on the sale of Raleigh Cycles Limited to the Dutch listed public company Accell for £62 million.
- Advising the shareholders of Boardman Bikes Limited and Boardman International Limited on the sale of the companies to Halfords Limited.
- Acting for a Premier League club on a restructuring of its corporate group.
- Advising Roger Bootle and the other shareholders of Capital Economics on the MBO of the company by LDC.
- Advising management on the MBO of Seven Investment Management by Caledonia.

- Advising the shareholders of PEI on the investment in the company by LDC.
- Advising the shareholders of the Health Hive Group on the sale of the company to St Ives plc.
- Advising the shareholders of Random42 on the investment in the company by Vespa Capital.
- Advising the shareholders of Abacus International on the sale of the company to Decision Resources Group.
- Advising the shareholders of Bridgehead Consulting on the sale of the company to GfK.
- Acting on the acquisition of a majority stake in an international sports media and rights business.
- Acting for a company specialising in human performance measurement, which owns the rights to a standalone fitness and measurement system for the general public, on various fundraisings.
- Advising the shareholders of Coopers of Stortford on the sale of the company to Damartex SA for £25 million.
- Advising the shareholders on the sale of SBB to the McGraw Hill Group.
- Acting for ICF International on a number of acquisitions and other corporate matters.
- Advising Shred-it on a number of different acquisitions including the acquisition of Iron Mountain's shredding business in the UK, Ireland and Australia.
- Acting for Pizza Hut on a variety of refranchising deals and other corporate matters.
- Acting for KFC on a number of refranchising deals and other corporate matters.
- Advising Zone on a number of acquisitions, including Auros and Conversion Science, and other corporate matters.
- Advising Barclays Ventures and the lender backed vehicle Breedon Holdings Limited on the restructuring of Ennstone plc through a pre-pack administration.
- Advised Rockfield Energy LLP, funded by Englefield Capital, on its €30 million funding package to Irish biomass development company, Imperative Energy.
- Advising on an initial public offering on the AIM Market of the London Stock Exchange and equity placing for 3Legs Resources plc.
- Acting for UK Sports Investments Limited on the sale of Manchester City Limited to Abu Dhabi United Group Investment & Development Limited, a company controlled by Sheikh Mansour of Abu Dhabi.
- Advising UK Football Investments LLP and principal shareholder Milan Mandarić on the sale of Championship Football League club Sheffield Wednesday to Thai businessman Dejphon Chansiri.

Credentials

Education

- BPP Law School, L.P.C., 2005
- The University of Nottingham, LL.B., Honors, 2003

Admissions

- England and Wales, 2007

Recognitions

- Notable practitioner in *IFLR1000* 2019 for private equity and M&A, with an emphasis on the sports sector
- Recommended in *Legal 500 UK* 2017 for mid-market, £50m-£250m

Expertise

Services

- Corporate

Industries

- Advertising, Media & Brands
- Healthcare
- Life Sciences

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