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About Tom

Tom Durrant is a leading corporate lawyer focusing on UK and cross-border acquisitions and disposals, with many years of experience advising on private equity transactions. Tom acts for UK and international corporates, private equity sponsors, management teams and entrepreneurs.

Experience

M&A

- Advising the shareholders of CIA Insurance Limited, a leading UK landlord insurance broker on the sale of the company to AssuredPartners, one of the largest insurance brokers in the US.
- Advising the owners of Shortridge, the UK-based provider of high-quality laundry services to independent hospitality businesses on the sale of the company to Toronto Stock Exchange listed K-Bro Linen.
- Advising BRUSH Group on its acquisition of Italian headquartered European transformer winding specialist Co.Bo.T S.r.l.
- Advising European security-first managed cloud provider Ekco on its acquisition of IT and cybersecurity specialist Bluecube.
- Advising Connection Capital and the management team on the sale of insurtech company Tempcover to RVU, owner of USwitch, Confused.com and Money.co.uk.
- Advising NFP, a leading insurance broker and consultant providing property and casualty, corporate benefit and retirement solutions, on the acquisition of KGJ Insurance Services Group.
- Advising YFM Equity Partners, Octopus Investments, the founders and the management team on the sale of cloud-based call management technology company Callstream to NASDAQ-listed J2 Global.
- Advising the shareholders of rail engineering company LH Group on the sale of the company to S&P 500 company Wabtec Corporation.
- Advising the sellers of steel processor Steel & Alloy on the sale to Spanish industrial group Gonvarri.

- Advising the owners of nuclear sensors and process instrumentation manufacturer Weed Instrument on the sale of the company to Ultra Electronics Holdings plc.
- Advising Dunedin Private Equity and the management team on the sale of infrastructure and property assurance business CET to Palatine Private Equity.
- Advising the founder on the sale of Tyrrells Potato Chips to Langholm Capital.
- Advising Connection Capital and the management team on the sale of indoor go-karting operator TeamSport to Duke Street Capital.
- Advising the founder of Nuclear Engineering Services, the UK's largest independent turnkey provider of engineering services to the nuclear industry, to Italian company Ansaldo Nucleare.
- Advising the founder of Collcap Packaging on Collcap's merger with Spain's Quadpack Industries SA.
- Advising the shareholders on the sale of Miles 33, a leading supplier of digital publishing software to media, corporates and agencies, to Naviga Inc.
- Advising Connection Capital and the management team on the sale of independent risk advisory firm JCRA Group to Chatham Financial.
- Advising Ultralife Corporation, listed on NASDAQ, on the acquisition of UK smart battery designer and manufacturer Accutronics Ltd.
- Advising Connection Capital and the management team on the sale of leading regional portable and modular accommodation hire company Carter Accommodation Ltd to Modulaire Group, the multinational accommodation hire group.
- Advising the listed Malaysian steel pipes and fittings group, Pantech, on the acquisition of UK marine pipe fittings manufacturer Nautic Steels.
- Advising Mobeus, Connection Capital and the management team on the IPO of online wine retailer Virgin Wines.

Private Equity

- Advising NorthEdge Capital on its investment into Torbay Pharma, a sterile injectable contract manufacturer.
- Advising Averroes Capital on its investment in Glacier Energy, a specialist provider of products, services and engineered solutions for renewable and conventional energy markets.
- Advising the management team on the secondary buyout of engineering surveying and monitoring services company Survey Solutions funded by WestBridge Capital.
- Advising NorthEdge Capital on its investment in Friend MTS, a leading global provider of video content security services.
- Advising Dunedin Private Equity on its investment in leading global supplier of fall protection equipment, Kee Safety.
- Advising NorthEdge Capital on its investment in energy technology and data business Correla.
- Advising the management team on the secondary buyout of power generation and power distribution business Brush Group from Melrose plc, funded by One Equity Partners.
- Advising NorthEdge Capital on its investment in Bridge Farm Nurseries, the UK market-leading producer of ornamental plants, flowers and herbs.
- Advising Connection Capital on its investment in Brompton Technologies, a leading technology company focused on high-end processing products for LED video walls.
- Advising Paintbox Automotive, a supplier of painted exterior assemblies to luxury automotive marques, and its management team on the investment by BGF.

- Advising Inflexion Private Equity on its investment in global market-leading unified commerce platform, Flooid.
- Advising LDC on its investment in bespoke generator and uninterrupted power supply unit manufacturer Dale Power Solutions.
- Advising the management team on the MBO of Menzies Distribution from John Menzies Plc funded by Endless.
- Advising Connection Capital on its investment in 4Wood TV and Film, one of the UK's leading TV and film set design and build businesses.
- Advising the management team on the secondary buyout of Gardner Group, the UK-headquartered supplier of metallic aerostructure details, equipment and components funded by The Carlyle Group.

Credentials

Education

- College of Law, Chester, L.P.C., 1996
- University of Liverpool, LL.B., 1995

Admissions

- Northern Ireland, 2020
- Republic of Ireland, 2020
- England and Wales, 1998

Recognitions

- "Tom Durrant is extremely knowledgeable, but what makes Tom stand out particularly is his broad business knowledge and excellent experience of working in a multinational environment. This gives him an edge." *Legal 500* 2024
- "He's very calm and commercial; he takes a commercial eye to decision-making rather than simply making points of law." *Chambers UK* 2019
- "Tom is extremely knowledgeable and very commercial – he has taken time to build a strong rapport with my team and understands our culture towards transactions." *Chambers UK* 2022
- "Tom Durrant possesses the right characteristics for a lead corporate lawyer, with a broad range of knowledge across all disciplines, a sense of fairness and what will work in the real world." *Legal 500* 2019
- "With Tom, there is no ego, no house view, and he brings a genuinely collaborative approach to the deal process. It is refreshing to work with someone in Tom's position that genuinely focuses on the desired client outcome and makes a huge amount of effort to ensure that the process is good for all parties." *Legal 500* 2023
- "Ranked as a leading individual in both *Legal 500* and *Chambers UK*

Expertise

Services

- Corporate
- Private Equity

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