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MA, University of Oxford, Natural Sciences (Chemistry), 1985

Professional Qualifications

European Patent Attorney, 1991
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Membership of Professional Bodies

Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys
Chartered Institute of Trade Mark Attorneys
European Communities Trademark Association
International Trademark Association
European Patent Institute

Professional Experience

Roberto joined the firm in 1985 and became a Partner in 1996. He handles both patent and trade mark matters and is the Head of the firm's Trade Marks Group.

Roberto has substantial trade mark experience and has a client base covering a range of commercial areas, including chemistry, pharmaceuticals, engineering, lighting, clothing and fashion, publishing and media, telecommunications and financial services. He is listed in the "Managing Intellectual Property Guide to the World's Leading Trade Mark Practitioners".

In relation to patent matters, Roberto prosecutes patent applications in all areas of chemistry, with particular emphasis on materials, polymers and alloys.



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MA, University of Oxford, Engineering Science, 1987

Professional Qualifications

European Patent Attorney, 1992
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Membership of Professional Bodies

Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys
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Professional Experience

Alison Hague joined the firm in 1987 and became a Partner in 1998. She handles patent work in engineering fields, particularly mechanical engineering, robotics and control systems and also practises in designs.

She manages all aspects of international trade mark portfolios in a wide range of fields including entertainment, merchandising and fashion. She provides strategic advice regarding trade mark protection and has substantial experience in handling trade mark applications and oppositions before the United Kingdom and European Union Trade Mark offices and in numerous other territories through local firms of overseas associates.



Philip Towler

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Professional Qualifications

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Professional Representative before the EUIPO, 1995

Membership of Professional Bodies

Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Patent Attorneys

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Professional Experience

Philip joined the firm in 1988 and became a Partner in 1998. Whilst studying for his degree in Oxford, he spent a year researching ultrafast laser-induced electron spin resonance techniques. He also completed a course in Quantum Chemistry.

Philip handles patent matters before the UK and European Patent Offices in all areas of chemistry, including pharmaceuticals, polymers, petrochemistry, pigments, electronic materials, photoimaging and food technology. He has substantial experience in representing clients in EPO opposition and appeal proceedings. Philip also maintains a thriving trade mark practice with clients inter alia in the retail, packaging, medical, chemical and civil engineering sectors.



Elaine Deyes

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Education

BSc (Hons), University of Surrey, Law and French, 1996

Professional Qualifications

UK Registered Trade Mark Attorney, 2002

Professional Representative before the EUIPO, 2002

Membership of Professional Bodies

Institute of Trade Mark Attorneys

Chartered International Trademark Association

European Communities Trademark Association

Association of European Trade Mark Owners (Marques)

Professional Experience

Elaine joined the firm in 1996. In 2000 she received the Adrian Spencer Memorial Award for achieving first place in the Advanced Trade Mark Law Examination. Elaine became a Partner in 2007.

Elaine has extensive experience of handling all aspects of UK and European Union Trade Mark (EUTM) clearance, prosecution and enforcement, including advising on and implementing searching and filing strategies, dealing with official objections, oppositions and cancellation/invalidity proceedings, and advising in the areas of infringement and passing-off. She also has considerable experience of overseas trade mark matters. She works for a variety of clients, ranging from individuals to major companies having substantial international trade mark portfolios. Her clients are active in many different fields, including fashion, lighting, renewable energy, pharmaceuticals, entertainment, estate agency, finance and insurance, construction and chemistry.

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Education

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Professional Qualifications

UK Registered Trade Mark Attorney, 2001

Professional Representative before the EUIPO, 2001

Membership of Professional Bodies

Chartered Institute of Trade Mark Attorneys

International Trademark Association

Professional Experience

Joseph became a Partner in 2009. He prosecutes trade mark applications in the EU (EUTM), UK and worldwide in all areas of industry for small businesses, multi-national corporations and solicitors with clients who need specialist assistance with trade marks. He handles significant client portfolios in the fields of cosmetics entertainment, restaurants and engineering. In addition to obtaining trade mark registrations, including filing applications and dealing with any related official objections/oppositions, Joseph advises on searching and clearing trade marks for use, registrability, infringement, passing off and domain name disputes.

Joseph is based in our Brighton office and regularly assists the SME clients of Sussex with trade mark matters. He has represented the Institute of Trade Mark Attorneys (ITMA) at UK business conferences, small business advice days and at the annual International Trade Mark Association (INTA) conference in the US. He is a former elected member of the General Council of ITMA. Joseph has been published more than once in a Q&A section in the Financial Times on trade marks, and in relation to Madrid Protocol filings in the trade journal Trademark World.



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BA (Hons), University of Hull, History, 1998

Professional Qualifications

UK Registered Trade Mark Attorney, 2005

Professional Representative before the EUIPO, 2005

Membership of Professional Bodies

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European Communities Trademark Association

Professional Experience

Clare joined the firm in 2000 and became a Partner in 2011. Clare works for a wide range of clients, from individuals through to global corporations. She has experience of handling all aspects of trade mark work from initial clearance searching to post-registration enforcement. Clare currently manages significant client portfolios in the fields of entertainment, finance, fashion, medical technology and publishing. She is also able to advise on domain name disputes.

Being based in the Brighton office, Clare regularly assists the SME clients of the East Sussex Hub. She can also be found representing the firm at international conferences and other events.



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Education

LLB Hons, University of Kent, Law, 2012

Membership of Professional Bodies

Student Member of CITMA

Professional Experience

Tim Lancaster graduated from the University of Kent in 2012 with a First Class Honours Degree in Law (LLB). He opted to study Intellectual Property Law as it relates to Human Rights and the Media during his final year.

Tim joined Dehns as a law graduate in 2014. As a trainee Trade Mark Attorney, he assists our attorneys on a wide range of UK, European Community and overseas trade mark matters, both contentious and non-contentious, including clearance searches, filing and prosecution of applications, oppositions, post-registration actions and enforcement matters.

Tim is currently studying towards a Postgraduate Certificate in Trade Mark Law and Practice at Queen Mary University of London.



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Education

BSc, University of Birmingham, Human Biology, 2011
MRes, King's College London, Cardiovascular Sciences, 2012

Membership of Professional Bodies

Student Member of CITMA

Professional Experience

Joanna graduated from the University of Birmingham in 2011 with a First Class Honours degree in Human Biology. She went on to take a Master of Research and then a PhD in Cardiovascular Sciences at King's College London.

Joanna joined the firm in 2015 as a Trade Mark Assistant.

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Education

MA, University of Southampton, Chemistry, 2011

DPhil, University of Oxford, Physical and Theoretical Chemistry

Membership of Professional Bodies

Student Member of CITMA

Professional Experience

Emma graduated from the University of Southampton in 2011 with a First Class Master of Chemistry degree, where she studied in Singapore for six months as part of her course. She then went on to study for a D.Phil. in Physical and Theoretical Chemistry at the University of Oxford. Before joining Dehns in November 2015 as a Trade Mark Assistant, Emma spent a year working for the UK Government's Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs.

Emma assists on a full range of UK, European Union and overseas trade mark matters. This includes clearance searches, filing and prosecution of applications, oppositions and infringement matters.



Adam Kellett

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Education

Graduate Diploma in Law, The University of Law, 2014

BA (Hons), University College London, English Literature, 2013

Membership of Professional Bodies

Student Member of CITMA

Professional Experience

Adam graduated from University College London (UCL) in 2013 with a BA (Hons) degree in English Literature. He subsequently completed the Graduate Diploma in Law at the University of Law, in which he was awarded a Commendation.

Adam completed a variety of legal placements alongside his studies, from which he developed a particular interest in intellectual property law. He joined Dehns as the firm's first Paralegal in 2015, and commenced his role as a Trade Mark Assistant in March 2016.

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