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Services

Leveraged Finance > Permanent Capital > Commercial Real Estate Finance >
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Andrew Papworth's principal areas of practice are in acquisition finance, real estate finance and general banking work. Mr. Papworth's primary focus is on acting for lenders (including direct lending funds, banks and other financial institutions), corporates and private equity houses on domestic and cross-border acquisition finance and investment and development real estate finance transactions (including bilateral, club and global syndicated lending for private equity backed acquisitions, management buy-outs, real estate investment and development financing, corporate lending, general banking and portfolio work and workouts/restructurings). He is mentioned for property finance in The Legal 500 UK, 2018.

In conjunction with the expansion of direct lending funds into the UK and European market in recent years, Mr. Papworth has acted for a number of direct lending funds on their provision of unitranche, first loss/second loss and second lien financing facilities and senior and mezzanine real estate investment and development financing whilst continuing to act for banks and other financial institutions on their provision of super senior facilities and participations in other complex debt structures.

Prior to joining Dechert, Mr. Papworth served as a senior associate in the debt finance group of DLA Piper. While working at DLA Piper, Mr Papworth spent time on secondment at Barclays Bank PLC and The Royal Bank of Scotland plc.

EXPERIENCE

- **Alcentra Limited** and **The Royal Bank of Scotland plc** on their provision of financing to the Lawyers on Demand Group to support its acquisition and future growth (a Bowmark investment).
- **Alcentra Limited** on its provision of financing to the Investis Group to support its further growth (an ECI investment).
- **AGC Equity Partners** in relation to the refinancing of 25 Canada Square (the Citi Tower, Canary Wharf).
- **Apollo Management International LLP** in relation to a number of development financings of UK property assets.
- **Ares Management Limited** on its provision of financing support to Midlothian Capital Partners and a consortium of investors to acquire HB Education Limited (the holding company for PGL).
- **Ares Management Limited** and **Barclays Bank PLC** on the provision of unitranche and super senior financing to the Bellevue Schools Group.
- **Barclays Bank PLC** in relation to super senior RCF facilities provided to the CloserStill Group following its acquisition by Inflexion Private Equity.
- **Clanwilliam Group** in the negotiation of the financing package provided to it by Alcentra Limited.
- **Cordet Capital** and **Ture Invest AB** on their provision of financing to the Trust Payments Group to refinance its existing facilities and support its growth.
- **CVC Credit Partners** and **HSBC Bank plc** as lenders of unitranche and super senior revolving facilities to BP Inv3 Bidco Limited (backed by Buckthorn Partners LLP) in relation to its acquisition of the TWMA Group.
- **GBT** on the financing of the public to private acquisition of the Hogg Robinson Group.
- **Hayfin, Highbridge, ICG, Lloyds Bank plc** and **Sankaty** in relation to unitranche and super senior RCF facilities provided to the Chiltern Group in connection with the multi-jurisdictional refinancing of its existing financing arrangements and its acquisition of a multi-jurisdictional, privately owned, executive search and consulting firm.
- **HIG White Horse** on its provision of financing to the Primesight Group to support its further growth (a GMT communications investment).
- **KKR** in relation to its acquisition of the cement and paper businesses of the Spanish Grupo Alfonso Gallardo and the wider multi-jurisdictional restructuring of the group's steel business and related senior and mezzanine financing arrangements.
- **KKR** in relation to the multi-jurisdictional restructuring of the URSA group and its senior and mezzanine financing arrangements.
- **SMBC, Park Square Capital, Ares Management Limited, CVC Credit Partners** and **HSBC Bank plc** on their provision of financing to the Wireless Logic Group to refinance its existing facilities and support its future growth (a CVC Capital investment).

Includes matters handled at Dechert or prior to joining the firm.

EDUCATION

- University of Manchester, Law (LLB), 2003, with *Honors*
- Nottingham Law School, Legal Practice Course, 2005, with *Distinction*

ADMISSIONS

- England and Wales