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Robert Gaut is a tax partner and head of our UK tax practice in London.

Robert provides advice on a full range of UK and international tax issues relating to fund formation, private equity deals, finance transactions and private equity real estate matters.

Robert is highly-regarded for his ability to provide sophisticated tax advice to many of the world's preeminent multinational companies, sovereign wealth funds, investment banks and private equity funds. Clients have commented to legal directories that Robert is "really technical and knows his stuff," and "has a very strong knowledge of the various tax laws, but also presents more innovative techniques and strategies."

He is consistently recognized by *Chambers UK* and *The Legal 500 United Kingdom*, and has been recognized by *Chambers Global* as a leading individual in tax. In the 2019 edition of *Chambers UK*, clients praised Robert as "always very attentive, quick to respond and very helpful and sensible."

Matters

Recent Representations:

- Multiple secondary transactions for Ardian
- Open Health Communications on its merger with Peloton Advantage
- The shareholders of Paragon International Holdings on its sale to PSC Insurance Group Limited
- High net worth individuals on the acquisition of various UK commercial real estate interests
- Formosa International Hotels Corporation on the sale of a 51% majority stake in Regent Hotels and Resorts to IHG
- Advice to multinational clients on preparing for the impact of UK rules on the corporate criminal offence of failure to prevent the facilitation of tax evasion (CCO), including new policies and procedures.
- Henry Schein Inc., on UK employment tax aspects related to its spin-off and merger of its animal health business with Vets First Choice
- Safetykleen Europe on its acquisition by Apax Partners from Warburg Pincus
- Intermediate Capital Group in its acquisition of Park Holidays UK for £362 million
- Lion Capital LLP in its acquisition of a majority stake in Grenade Holdings Ltd.
- Various lending transactions for Ares, BlueBay, European Capital and other alternative lender clients
- Magnificent Real Estate in the tax aspects of its acquisition of Travelodge London Kings Cross

Practices

Tax, Family Office, Investment Management , Private Funds

Industries

Asset Management , Private Equity, Private Equity Real Estate

Education

University of Bristol, LL.B., 1991

With Honors

Admissions & Qualifications

Admitted as a solicitor in England and Wales

Memberships

International Bar Association

International Fiscal Association

Law Society of England and Wales

Law Society's Tax Law Committee

Awards & Recognition

Chambers UK: Tax 2015-2020

Chambers Global: UK: Tax 2017-2019

Chambers Europe: UK: Tax 2018-2019

The Legal 500 United Kingdom: Corporate: Tax 2016-2017

London Super Lawyers 2013-2015

Who's Who Legal: Corporate Tax 2019