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Sean Spence is a partner in the Private Funds Group.

Sean advises fund sponsors and financial institutions in connection with the formation and ongoing operation of their private investment funds.

As a US-qualified lawyer based in London, Sean maintains a transatlantic practice advising clients across multiple fund jurisdictions on a daily basis. His practice covers several fund strategies (including buyout, energy and infrastructure, real estate, funds of funds and emerging markets funds) and a wide range of clients (including newly-formed and large asset managers, major financial institutions and sports leagues).

Sean also advises multiple sovereign wealth funds and other institutional investors in connection with their global alternative investment strategies, including negotiating investments in primary and secondary transactions, co-investments, funds of one and separately managed accounts.

In addition to fundraising, Sean guides his clients with respect to their internal governance, regulatory compliance, and the implementation of carried interest arrangements.

Sean has held several Firm leadership positions, including on the Firm's Hiring and Summer Program Committees, and currently serves as the Co-Chair of the Black Lawyer Affinity Group.

Sean was previously based in the Firm's New York office and, prior to joining Proskauer, was an associate in the investment funds group at White & Case.

Practices

Corporate/Transactional, Investment Management, Private Funds

Industries

Private Capital

Market Solutions

Environmental, Social and Corporate Governance (ESG)

Education

Duke University School of Law, LL.M.
Duke University School of Law, J.D.
Columbia University, B.A.

Admissions & Qualifications

Admitted only in New York
Registered Foreign Lawyer in England and Wales

Awards & Recognition

Law.com: The UK Legal Industry's Best Up-and-Coming Black Lawyers, 2024
Best Lawyers in America: Ones to Watch 2023-2024
National Bar Association: "40 Under 40"
Rising Star 2024: Minority Corporate Counsel Association
The Legal 500 United Kingdom: Investment Fund Formation & Management: Private Funds 2024-2025