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Background

Emma Cooper graduated from the University of Exeter with a degree in law (LLB Honours) in 1999 and completed the Legal Practitioners Course at the College of Law, Guildford the following year. Emma joined Herbert Smith in London where she trained and qualified as a solicitor practicing in England and Wales. In 2002, Emma obtained dual qualification in Northern Ireland and joined Carson McDowell's Real Estate team as a solicitor before becoming a Partner in 2010. Emma continues to practice both in Northern Ireland and England and Wales in respect of all property matters.

Emma practices within all areas of Real Estate with a specific specialism within the field of Energy, Waste and Natural Resources and delivers regular briefings in respect of issues relevant to Real Estate and Energy. The Real Estate Team and the Energy Group are recognised as leaders within their fields in both Chambers and the Legal 500.

In Chambers and Partners UK Emma is described as being '*very proactive*', and a lawyer who works '*quickly and to a high standard*.'

Experience

Real Estate

Emma advises with respect to all areas of Real Estate including the development, acquisition and disposal of freehold and leasehold interests, landlord and tenant advice and the management of portfolios on behalf of landlords and estate owners including negotiating development agreements, leases and licences and advising in respect of general land law issues. Recent transactions and clients Emma has advised upon include:

- Advising Virgin Active with respect to the acquisition of its flagship leisure facility in Northern Ireland;



- Advising Liberty Insurance with respect to its acquisition of its Northern Irish property interest in Enniskillen,
- Acting on behalf of Ballyvesey Holdings Limited and Montracon with regards their English property interests;
- Advising Herbert Smith with respect to its premises in Northern Ireland;
- Acting on behalf of Royal Bank of Scotland/Ulster Bank with respect to all ongoing property portfolio issues;
- Advising The Belfast Harbour Commissioners with respect to the Commissioners' property portfolio;
- Acting on behalf of Bettercare with regards to the acquisition of various property interests within England and Northern Ireland;
- Advising FP McCann in respect of their English property interests and managing their English property portfolio;
- Advising Lloyds Nursing Homes upon the Northern Irish aspects of their acquisition of interests in the Four Seasons Health Care portfolio;
- Advising Drumragh Properties with respect to the letting of units within The Mall, Armagh;
- Advising Ulstercom with respect to the acquisition of their portfolio of sites within England and Wales;
- Advising Subway with respect to all aspects of their Northern Irish leases and licences; interests;

Energy, Waste and Natural Resources

Emma advises upon all property aspects of energy projects within both Northern Ireland and England and Wales including site assembly and wayleave acquisitions, the acquisition and disposal of both multi turbine and single turbine wind farm projects; advising upon the property aspects of energy project financing and general property issues arising.

- Advising ESB with respect to its acquisition of windfarm interests within Northern Ireland;
- Advising SSE Renewables with regards to its Northern Ireland wind farm interests;
- Advising NIE with respect to the property aspects of the proposed North South Interconnector;



- Advising Windconnect with respect to its Northern Irish and English and Welsh wind farm interests;
- Advising BGE and Storengy with regards to issues pertaining to the formerly proposed Gas Facility at Larne
- Advising ARC (NI) and Renewables Energy Ireland with respect to windfarm interests acquired within Northern Ireland;
- Advising Infinis with respect to its acquisition of windfarm interests within Northern Ireland;
- Advising the Mantlin Limited and Administrators of the Quinn Group with regards the management and property interest at Slieve Rushen wind farm;
- Advising Biffa Waste with respect to its property interests in Northern Ireland;
- Advising ERE Renewables with respect to the property aspects of its interest at the Port of Londonderry;