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Overview

Hamilton Forrest is a partner in the tax team at Fladgate.

He specialises in real estate taxation, investment structuring (including fund formation), corporate work (mergers and acquisitions, private equity, joint ventures etc.) both in the UK and overseas, employee tax, global mobility, incentive schemes and private capital for high net worth individuals.

Hamilton acts for a wide range of clients, including individuals, SMEs and large multinationals.

An example of one of the transactions on which he has advised is acting for Northern and Shell on the sale of Channel 5 to Viacom.

Hamilton is a member of the International Fiscal Association and the Stamp Duty Practitioners Group.

He qualified in 1999 and originally joined Fladgate as a partner in September 2008. After leaving the firm for a few years, he returned to Fladgate in September 2014.

Experience

- Advising Northern and Shell on the acquisition of the Health Lottery, the sale of Channel 5 to Viacom and the sale of the US edition of the OK! Magazine.
- Advising Aberdeen Asset Management in connection with a multi-million pound settlement agreement.
- Advising Advent International on its acquisition of a 65% stake in Bulgarian Telecoms Company AD from the Government of Bulgaria.
- Acting for a bank being investigated by the Special Compliance Office.
- Providing VAT, SDLT and Construction Industry Scheme advice in relation to property acquisitions and disposals and property development for entities such as

Expertise

Private Wealth

- International Private Wealth
- Trusts & Tax Planning

Tax law

- Employee Incentives
- Real Estate Tax
- Transactional Tax

Industry

Fintech

Private Client

Real Estate

Owner Managed Businesses

International

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Taylor Wimpey, Berkeley Homes, Pegasus Retirement Homes plc, Department of Transport, Prudential and Virgin.

- Advising companies, NOMADs and an investment bank in connection with IPOs and secondary issues.
- Advising Syral SA on its acquisition of Tate & Lyle companies in the UK, Ireland, France, Spain, Italy, Belgium, Luxembourg and Bosnia-Herzegovina.
- Advising BP on the sale of the entire issued share capital of BP Nederland Energie B.V. and the sale of interests (including exploration licences and platforms) in shallow horizons offshore Trinidad.
- Advising C-suite executives taking up overseas roles on the application of the Statutory Residence Test and the tax position relating to stock option grants and share awards.
- Advising Channel 5 on its “Celebrity Big Brother” contractual arrangements.

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