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'Lunch & Learn' Webinar Series

"Introduction to Intellectual Property Due Diligence"

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1300-1400, Zoom

SPEAKERS



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Rose specialises in intellectual property, advising clients on protection, exploitation and enforcement in relation to trade marks, passing off, copyright, designs, patents, and rights in confidential information. Her experience covers a wide range of sectors, including manufacturing, financial institutions, public sector, and retail, hospitality and leisure.

Rose's litigation practice covers disputes in various specialist forums, including intellectual property courts, the Intellectual Property Office, the Company Names Tribunal and various domain name dispute resolution forums. She advises on issues such as ownership, validity, infringement and defences. Rose is adept at alternative dispute resolution, successfully settling disputes for clients.

Rose studied at the University of Oxford, at undergraduate level for a degree in Jurisprudence, and later for a Postgraduate Diploma in Intellectual Property Law and Practice. She is a Co-Chair for Young Members for the Licensing Executives Society Britain & Ireland Council and sits on the Working Group for Conferences for the Chartered Institute of Trade Mark Attorneys. She regularly delivers seminars and provides commentary on intellectual property topics, and participates in specialist bodies including MARQUES and INTA.

Dave is a Partner (IP Solicitor) in Potter Clarkson's Litigation & Licensing team. Dave specialises in non-contentious intellectual property law, with historic experience in significant contentious patent matters. Dave specialises in the Life Sciences, biotechnology and synthetic biology, as well as industrial chemistry. Dave has specific experience working with platform technologies for diagnostics, Machine Learning platforms for optimisation of therapeutics, proteins and biomanufacturing, *in silico* models for clinical trials, and personalised medicine including development of organoids.

In particular, his practice includes drafting highly complex, multi-jurisdictional agreements including licensing arrangements, research and development agreements and complex collaboration agreements, as well as providing commercially focussed IP strategy advice for his clients. Prior to joining Potter Clarkson in April 2018, Dave trained and qualified at a leading national law firm before spending a period as Assistant General Counsel at Unidays Ltd - the world's largest student affinity network, managing its IP portfolio, agreements and international expansion, which included negotiating agreements and supporting the production of creative content (including influencer agreements) for international partners.



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