

Liam Quirke is "a tremendous lawyer".

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# **Expertise**

Liam Quirke is a member of Matheson's Tax practice. He was Managing Partner of Matheson for more than 12 years and also served as Partnership Chairman for two years. Prior to moving into management, Liam founded and led Matheson's pre-eminent Tax practice for 12 years. He also established and led the firm's market leading International Business practice for nearly a decade. In recognition of his outstanding contribution to the firm over the course of nearly three decades, Matheson appointed Liam as Chairman Emeritus of the firm in January, 2018.

Liam has concentrated his legal career on the Irish legal needs of international companies and financial institutions with a particular focus on such companies which have established in Ireland with a view to accessing the EU market.

Liam is widely acknowledged as both an influential business leader and one of the leading international tax lawyers in Ireland. He is a member of the Council of the Law Society of Ireland, the Council of University College Dublin's Sutherland School of Law and the only Irish member of the Council of New York University's International Tax Programme. Liam served on the Irish Prime Minister's Committee on International Banking and Treasury for many years and is also a former Chairman of the Irish Branch of the International Fiscal Association and a former council member of the Dublin Chamber of Commerce.

# **Experience Highlights**

Liam has acted as tax counsel to many of the largest multinational companies and financial institutions established in Ireland and advised on some of the most innovative and high profile international transactions completed in Ireland, including:

- Structuring Ireland's first non-mortgage securitisation transactions, developing in the process, the original framework for securitisations in Ireland which is now provided for in section 110 Taxes Consolidation Act, 1997; and
- Advising on the first transfer pricing dispute conducted under the auspices of Ireland's Double Taxation Treaty Network and various other ground-breaking transfer pricing cases.

During his tenure as head of Matheson's pre-eminent International Business practice, Liam led the establishment of the firm's offices in Palo Alto and New York making Matheson the only Irish law firm with a

presence on both coasts of the United States for many years.

As Managing Partner, Liam continued his focus on international companies and financial institutions doing business in and from Ireland making such companies the primary strategic focus of Matheson, a market which Matheson has, as a result, dominated for many years in Ireland.

#### **Accolades**

Liam Quirke is "a very impressive character who stands out from the crowd. He sees the big picture".

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"Liam Quirke is, almost without exception, praised highly by competitors."

**International Tax Review** 

Clients consider Liam Quirke to be "one of the finest tax lawyers in Dublin".

**European Legal 500** 

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