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● **DLA Piper** has appointed Paul Gray as a partner in the real estate finance team. He joins from **Sidley Austin**, where he was a senior associate in the global finance group.

● **Collyer Bristow** has recruited private client tax specialist William Hancock from **Speechly Bircham**, where he was a partner. It has also appointed family law practitioner Sue Breen from **Hodge Jones & Allen** as a consultant.

● **Field Fisher Waterhouse** has hired former **Simmons & Simmons** partner Philip Abbott as a finance partner. He has a focus on funds finance, real estate finance and restructuring.

● **TLT** has recruited financial services regulatory partner Emily Benson to its City office. Benson joins from **Kinetic Partners** where she led the retail conduct and financial crime specialisms. She previously worked in-house at **Santander** and spent five years in the **Financial Services Authority's** enforcement division.

● **Winckworth Sherwood** has created a tax team following the appointment of tax partner Simon Newsham. Newsham previously led his own boutique tax law practice, **Newsham Tax Solicitors**, for seven years and was head of tax at **Dorsey & Whitney** in London.

● **The London Solicitors Litigation Association** has elected commercial litigation specialist John Bramhall as president. Bramhall, a partner at **DAC Beachcroft**, takes over from **Russell-Cooke's** Francesca Kaye. ● **Law Society** chief executive Des Hudson is to stand down this summer. His move follows mounting pressure from criminal law solicitors for him to resign over the legal aid row.

South

● **Spratt Endicott** has promoted the following solicitors to associate: Catherine O'Riordan (company commercial); operations manager Steve McDonnell (debt recovery); Nicola Muir (residential property department); Kyle Wyness (contentious property); head of family law Patrick Mulcare; and Graham Roberts (property). ● **Moore Blatch's** Lymington office has appointed Fiona Heald


Bramhall: new LSLA president

as a senior solicitor to head its Court of Protection team. She will be responsible for looking after the interests of vulnerable people and working with elderly people and their carers.

North

● **Brabners** has hired Oliver Andrews as a solicitor in its dispute resolution team and Jonathon Waterhouse as a solicitor in its real estate team. They join the Preston office from **Oglethorpe Sturton & Gillibrand** and **Napthens** respectively.

● The Sheffield office of **Irwin Mitchell** has appointed associate James Foster. He moves from **Pinsent Masons** in Leeds, where he was also an associate.

● **Jackson & Canter** has hired two new family solicitors in Liverpool. Haley Farrell has joined the team from the **Berkson Globe Partnership**, where she had been a solicitor since 2005, while Gemma Ellison has qualified into the family department.

● **Maxwell Hodge** has appointed two solicitors to its conveyancing team. Carole Carr has joined from **Butcher Barlow Solicitors** in Manchester and Alison Love from **Keith Parks Solicitors**, where she was a residential conveyancing solicitor.

Europe

● In Dublin, **Dechert** has added Mark Browne as a partner with its financial services group. He joins from **Mason Hayes & Curran**.

● Three **Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer** arbitrators have left to launch a boutique. Cologne-based partner Christian Borris is leaving in the next month to launch **Borris Hennecke Kneisel** with Frankfurt partner Sebastian Kneisel and