

# Complete Information Protection

A bespoke, flexible legal service for the protection of your information at a transparent, fixed price



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Disclosure of sensitive information creates risks to corporates, not least to their reputation. In this digital age, companies create more and more communications and documents, many of which may be sensitive and not for public consumption. In recent years, there have been many examples of companies' sensitive emails or other documents being quoted in the media as a result of disclosure obligations during the course of litigation or investigations. Although companies have certain rights which allow them to resist disclosure of certain information, the fact that a document is sensitive or confidential will not necessarily mean that it is immune from having to be disclosed.

To help you to understand your rights and obligations and how best to protect your sensitive information, we have developed a bespoke product called Complete Information Protection.

# Complete Information Protection has three strands

First, we will scope with you the areas of your business which commonly give rise to disclosure risk. This scoping exercise will be conducted at a transparent, fixed price.

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Second, we will advise you on best practice to protect your sensitive information, including advice on communication protocols and how to minimise the risk of losing protection. Again, this advice will be provided at a transparent, fixed price.

Third, we will make a number of value added services available to you at no cost, tailored to improve your employees' understanding of information protection.

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We would welcome the opportunity to meet with you to discuss how we can tailor the Complete Information Protection service to meet your particular circumstances and requirements. Scoping disclosure risk



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Value added services at no extra cost



# Scoping disclosure risk



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### Identification of risk areas

We will scope with you the areas of your business which commonly give rise to disclosure risk in order to identify the broader risks faced by your business. Privilege and document protection issues may arise in different scenarios, for example

- Corporate reporting to the board; cross border reporting; communications between parent and subsidiary.
- · Regulation and investigations - evidence gathering; sharing information with a regulator; conducting joint defences; engaging accountants and other professional advisers.
- Competition responding to dawn raids.

- Insurance communicating with insurers, reinsurers and loss adjusters.
- Intellectual property engaging patent and trademark attorneys.
- Data protection dealing with data subject access requests.
- Insolvency seeking financial assessments.
- Tax communicating with tax advisers.

# Bespoke to your needs

We will work with you to tailor this scoping exercise as you prefer. Whether you require general advice on improving procedures or have a specific concern we will work with you to address your needs.

### Cross border issues

Our global reach and experience allows us to provide advice in relation to all of the world's major business centres.

# Transparent fixed fee pricing

You will have the certainty of fixed-fee, transparent pricing.

# Best practice for protecting your information



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# Understanding your rights and obligations

We will advise you both on your disclosure obligations and your rights to resist disclosure. The most valuable right you may have to resist the disclosure of sensitive information is privilege. However, documents will only be privileged in certain circumstances, and privilege can be inadvertently waived or lost. It is therefore vital to understand

- When you may be required to disclose information or documents.
- · When you may be able to resist a request for disclosure.
- The risks involved in creating permanent records of sensitive information.

 How best to communicate both within the business and outside in respect of sensitive issues in order to create and preserve privilege where possible.

## Best practice

We will advise you on the practical steps which you can take to protect your information, including how to

- Implement systems to establish what information and documents are being produced and develop a coherent retention and disposal policy.
- Educate your employees on the risks inherent in document creation - in particular, the risks associated with use of e-mail, including the delivery of bespoke in-house employee training programmes and/or the development of e-learning video resources.

- · Identify "privileged and confidential" information, and the importance of separating privileged correspondence from ordinary documents.
- Implement an effective communications protocol, including internal controls for the circulation of privileged material.

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# Value added services



# Value added services – a tailored approach to your information protection needs

### At no additional cost when you purchase the Complete Information Protection service

We understand that a menu of value added services from a law firm is just the beginning of the story. You want to see the tailoring of services to meet your requirements in terms of protecting your information and the delivery of each service in a timely and co-ordinated manner.

Following a meeting with you to discuss the requirements of your team, we will agree a strategy for the delivery of our value added services that is unique to you.

Progress will be monitored and measured as part of our regular relationship review meetings.

# Legal and business skills training

Our legal CPD training includes a range of technical and industry focused topics. Selected training sessions are available on-line and all training can be booked through our on-line calendar.

# Bespoke legal and business skills training

We will provide free of charge up to three hours of formal training annually which qualifies for CPD points. This training can be made available at the same time to appropriate business colleagues.

# Workshops

We recognise that in-house legal teams derive great benefit from forum style sessions giving the opportunity to share the latest practical law experience with others within your industry. We would be delighted to invite you and your employees to our regular update seminars and workshops.

### Information services

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We produce informative publications and briefings designed to keep you up to date with all the legal and regulatory developments in your practice area.

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### We deliver

- Experience in the full range of international litigation and dispute resolution mechanisms.
- The ability to transfer knowledge and provide cross-border support throughout our global network of offices.
- Tailored advice based on our detailed understanding of the industries in which our clients operate.

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