

For Immediate Release: Jonathan Lea joins Bargate Murray as Senior Associate

Bargate Murray, the award-winning City law firm, is delighted to announce the appointment of **Jonathan Lea** as Senior Associate in the firm's Corporate Department.

Jonathan trained at the leading City and international law firm Clyde & Co and has spent most of his career working in London, whilst also widening his experience with periods practising in Cornwall and Dubai.

Jonathan will help lead the firm's push in developing relationships with the fast growing technology and digital media companies establishing themselves in and around the 'Silicon Roundabout' area as well as being involved in more traditional corporate and business related advisory work.

Jonathan has built a strong reputation for advising demanding entrepreneurial clients and owner-managed businesses, whilst he also has wide experience in working with all types of organisations, including governments and public bodies, listed companies, multinationals, foreign owned corporations, private companies of all sizes, partnerships and charities. His specialist areas of legal practice are mergers and acquisitions, equity finance, joint ventures, commercial contracts and intangible property. Jonathan is particularly experienced in advising next generation web based businesses.

Quentin Bargate, Senior Partner, comments: *"I am delighted to welcome Jonathan to our expanding team at Bargate Murray. We are fortunate already to have developed excellent relationships with a number of technology based companies. Jonathan's appointment is in response to an increasing demand for top City quality advice and service from the Silicon Roundabout Technology hub based near our headquarters and also from our other national and international clients who demand top quality service at reasonable cost."*

Despite the recession, Bargate Murray has seen continuous growth since its foundation in 2004 and Jonathan reflects our commitment to continuing this success and growth"

Note to Editors:

Bargate Murray is a world class commercial law firm, headquartered in the City of London. It has been voted Boutique Law Firm of the year, 2011 by Corporate INTL magazine. The firm's clients span the globe and include large and respected multinational businesses as well as SME's and individuals.

The firm has particular skills in Superyachts, Employment, Litigation / Dispute Resolution and work with IT and technology companies. The founding and senior partner, Quentin Bargate, has some 30 years City law firm experience, including 14 years as a partner in a top ten London law firm prior to founding Bargate Murray.

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