

Peter Sugden

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Practices

FOCUS: Real Estate

Private Equity

Real Estate Acquisitions, Dispositions and Joint Ventures

Real Estate Development

Real Estate Finance and Lending

UK Real Estate

United Kingdom

Industries

Family Offices

Hospitality

Manufacturing and Industrials Private Equity

Bar Admissions

England and Wales

Community Involvements

Investment Property Forum

The Flyfishers Club of Brook Street

Peter Sugden focuses his practice on real estate investment, finance and development, hospitality and leisure, real estate joint ventures and other corporate real estate transactions in the UK and across Europe.

Longtime real estate transactional experience

Peter represents private equity funds, institutional investors, property companies, overseas investors, pension funds and hotel owners and operators. His transactional experience extends over more than 30 years and spans all asset classes and transactions, including asset and corporate sales and purchases, fundings and financings, joint ventures, debt purchase, portfolio transactions and complex development. Peter has very significant experience in relation to the hospitality and leisure sector.

Clients appreciate the personal touch that Peter brings to his work. He is known for the pragmatic application of his deep experience in transactional work and ability to focus on key issues, and for personally handling many of the matters that cross his desk.

Representative Experience

- Counsel to real estate investor in connection with various Central London office acquisitions, redevelopments, refurbishments, lettings and sales.
- Acting for energy drink company on relocation of its UK headquarters to Tooley Street in London.
- Counsel to global business and technology consultancy in its purchase of estate from Scottish Widows.

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"Peter Sugden is a 'very capable lawyer' who is 'well known in the real estate, finance and hotel space,' say sources. Clients describe him as 'an outstanding lawyer,' adding: 'He is very good technically, and very approachable and commercial.'"

*- Chambers UK 2019
(UK-wide, Hotels & Leisure) survey response*

- Counsel real estate developer and operator in connection with purchase of office building in Westminster, London.
- Counsel to property group in connection with sale of its UK portfolio.
- Counsel in connection with numerous forward and investment purchases and full fundings for occupational pension schemes.
- Counsel in connection with numerous acquisitions and sales of investment assets for property companies
- Counsel in connection with debt sale of Gannon Properties UK portfolio to Development Securities PLC and The William Pears Group and subsequently acting on liquidation of the portfolio.
- Counsel to investor clients of Aprirose Real Estate Investment in connection with acquisitions and sales of various assets.
- Counsel to fully integrated global real estate investment management company in connection with real estate joint ventures in Turkey, Serbia and Croatia.
- Counsel real estate developer concerning large-scale town centre and urban regeneration schemes in Cardiff, Southampton and Chatham.
- Acting for Aprirose on the forward purchases and financing of a Travelodge Hotel in the Minories, London and a Premier Inn Hotel, Southwark, London and the forward purchase, leaseback and financing of the LEGOLAND Windsor Hotel, at the LEGOLAND Windsor Resort theme park, Windsor.
- Acting for Associated British Foods Pension Scheme on the forward funding of the development of a Travelodge at London Docklands.
- Represent private equity firm on purchase from administrators of Novotel Edinburgh Park hotel, in joint venture with Algonquin, including renegotiation of Accor management agreement.
- Act for real estate investor on purchase and subsequent sale of an arena.
- Acting for Irish sponsor on purchase and financing of three Central London boutique hotels and their subsequent sales.

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- Acting for fully integrated global real estate investment management company on purchase and financing of portfolio of 11 UK regional hotels, including hotel operating platform.
- Acting for Singapore integrated real estate developer on purchase of iconic landmark building in city of London for conversion to luxury hotel with members club.
- Acting for hotel operator on numerous purchases, financings and developments of UK hotels and on various associated franchise, hotel management, celebrity chef and hotel marketing agreements for new and existing hotels.
- Acting for hospitality group on purchase of branded hotel in Prague, including assumption of existing debt.

Recognitions

Recognized or listed in the following:

- *Best Lawyers in the United Kingdom*
 - Real Estate Law, 2009–2023
- *Chambers UK*
 - Hotels & Leisure - UK-Wide, 2019–2023
 - Real Estate, 2014, 2016–2023
- *The Legal 500 United Kingdom*
 - Recommended Attorney, 2012–2023

News

- Katten UK Recognized in The Legal 500 United Kingdom 2023 Guide (September 30, 2022)

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- Katten Attorneys Named to the *Best Lawyers™ in the United Kingdom* (June 9, 2022)
- Coronavirus (COVID-19) Resource Center (November 10, 2021)
- London Partners Recognized as Leading Attorneys in *Chambers UK 2022* (October 21, 2021)
- Katten UK Receives Numerous Distinctions in The Legal 500 United Kingdom 2022 Guide (October 4, 2021)
- Katten's London Partners Named to 2022 *Best Lawyers in the UK* List (June 8, 2021)
- Christopher Hitchins Named Managing Partner, Katten UK, Succeeding Peter Sugden (January 28, 2021)
- Katten Contributes to White Paper on Evolution of Adjacent Spaces in Residential Accommodation (January 26, 2021)
- Katten UK Recognized in *Chambers UK 2021* (October 22, 2020)
- Katten UK Named a Leading Firm in Financial Services and Real Estate by The Legal 500 United Kingdom Guide (October 1, 2020)
- Katten Strengthens Its Insolvency Practice with Hires in London (August 3, 2020)
- Timothy Little and Peter Sugden Talk about Lender Communication Strategies During COVID-19 Pandemic (May 21, 2020)
- *Chambers UK 2020* Recognizes Katten UK in Real Estate, Hotels & Leisure, Finance, Tax and White Collar (November 11, 2019)
- Katten UK Named a Leading Firm in Finance, Real Estate, and Corporate and Commercial by The Legal 500 United Kingdom (November 27, 2018)
- Katten UK Ranked by *Chambers UK 2019* (November 12, 2018)
- Katten UK Adds Charlotte Sallabank to Corporate Tax Team (October 25, 2018)
- Katten UK Represents TriSpan in Acquisition of Rosa's Thai Café (June 6, 2018)

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- Katten UK Hires New Corporate Partner (April 9, 2018)
- Katten Brings on New Banking, Financial Services Leaders in London (February 20, 2018)
- Katten UK Lauded in Real Estate by *Chambers UK* 2018 (November 8, 2017)
- Katten Lauded by *The Legal 500 United Kingdom* 2017 (October 11, 2017)
- Katten UK Growth Featured in *LegalWeek* (July 15, 2017)
- Katten Muchin Rosenman UK LLP Represents Accor and Raffles in Landmark London Hotel Deal (June 15, 2017)
- Katten UK Featured in *The Lawyer* Regarding Old War Office Deal for Raffles (June 15, 2017)
- Katten UK Acclaimed in Real Estate by *Chambers UK* 2017 (November 8, 2016)
- Katten UK Lauded by *The American Lawyer* for International Pro Bono Efforts (July 12, 2016)
- Katten UK Commended in Real Estate by *Chambers UK* 2016 (November 4, 2015)
- Katten UK Real Estate, Finance, Corporate and Commercial Teams Lauded By *The Legal 500 United Kingdom* 2014 (October 3, 2014)
- Katten UK Attorneys Peter Sugden, Carolyn Jackson and Tim Aron Lauded By *The Legal 500 United Kingdom* 2013 (October 1, 2013)
- Katten Attorneys Given High Marks in Real Estate and Tax by *Chambers UK* (November 7, 2012)
- *Legal 500 United Kingdom* 2012 Lauds Katten UK for Work in Real Estate, Finance, Corporate and Commercial Areas (October 3, 2012)

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Publications

- UK Real Property Beneficial Ownership Register – Draft Legislation Published (August 9, 2018)
- UK to Tax Real Estate Capital Gains of Non-UK Investors (July 18, 2018)
- UK Government Proposes Beneficial Owners Registry of Overseas Companies That Own UK Property (May 14, 2018)
- Business Rates Revaluation and 1954 Act Statutory Compensation (February 28, 2017)
- Brexit: Implications for the Financial Services Industry (June 24, 2016)
- *Project Blue*: A Stamp Duty Land Tax Case That Made Headlines (August 14, 2013)
- Hedging Interest and FX Hedging: The Consequences of Having US Investors (April 17, 2012)

Presentations and Events

- The AHC Reimagined (October 8, 2020) | *Speaker*
- UK and Global Economy After the COVID-19 Pandemic (September 3, 2020) | *Presenter*
- The Annual Hotel Conference (October 10–11, 2018) | *Participant*