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Areas of Practice

Alternative Investment
 Market

Corporate Governance

Corporate, Securities &
 Finance

Mergers & Acquisitions

Private Equity/Venture
 Capital

Russia & the CIS

Education

London School of
 Economics, LL.M., 1988

University of Southampton,
 LL.B., 1984

Admitted

Solicitor, England & Wales

Michael Thompson

Michael Thompson is a Partner in the London office of Steptoe & Johnson and is head of the Corporate, Securities and Finance group.

Michael's focus is on entrepreneurial businesses. He specialises in all aspects of private equity transactions including venture capital fundings, management buy-outs, management buy-ins, investor buy-ins, acquisitions and disposals, joint ventures, shareholder arrangements and public company listings.

Michael's experience is spread across many sectors and includes acting for both management, target companies and venture capitalists in the technology, telecoms, gaming, IT, retail and leisure sectors.

Michael graduated in law from Southampton University and gained an LL.M. in 1988 from the London School of Economics. Michael joined the firm in 1998.

Noteworthy

- Recommended for Corporate, Mergers & Acquisitions in Russia as an 'Expert Based Abroad' in *Chambers Global* (2012)
- Listed under Corporate, Mergers & Acquisitions in *UK Legal Experts* (2011)
- Recommended for IT and E-Commerce in *PLC Which Lawyer? Yearbook* (2011/12)

Select Seminars & Events

Corporate Governance in the UK, May 27, 2008

Minimising Risks & Maximising Returns with Overseas Funding, (*A Steptoe-Sponsored Event*)

Annual MBI Conference 2003, November 26, 2003

Selected Publications

Russia & the CIS Insight
 March 2012

Corporate Update
 May 2011

A Guide to MAC (material adverse change) Clauses in M&A Transactions
 May 12, 2011

Corporate Governance for UK Private and Unlisted Companies

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May 10, 2011

Proposed Changes to the UK Takeover Code

April 21, 2011

Corporate Governance – Regulation of Executive Remuneration

February 2011

Indemnities – What Are You Actually Getting – Case Update

February 2011

Update Regarding Listings on the London Stock Exchange

February 2011

Professional Affiliations

Institute of Directors

Marylebone Cricket Club