

## Withers grows reputation and media team with hire of Jo Sanders

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Withers has hired noted reputation and privacy lawyer Jo Sanders as the head of its London media and reputation team. Jo joins the firm from Harbottle & Lewis.

Jo has worked in media law for 15 years, and previously also worked as a journalist and public relations consultant, giving her excellent all-round experience in the field. She has acted for businesses and individuals in relation to press, broadcast and online content and advised dozens of victims of the phone hacking scandal.

Amber Melville-Brown has led the well-respected team in London since 2011. During that time, it has been consistently successful in assisting clients protect their privacy and data, reputation and brand, and in assisting them with the gamut of communications issues relating to traditional and social media. Sensitive to clients' complex and international lives, Amber is re-qualifying to practise in New York State, and will head the firm's international media and reputation team whilst developing the firm's US reputation management services.

Peter Wood, CEO of the firm's Dispute Resolution Division, comments: "We are so pleased to have a lawyer of Jo's calibre and experience to head up our already highly-rated team London team as we build out the practice on an international scale."

Amber Melville-Brown comments: "With media and information functioning as a 24-hour global machine, the ability to offer this level of experience and expertise on both sides of the Atlantic will give us an exceptional offering, with clients seamlessly accessing our multi-jurisdictional capacity to tackle the most complex media issues."

Jo adds: "It's a privilege to have the opportunity to lead Withers' well-established London practice in media and reputation. I have always known this team's reputation for providing sophisticated, personable and timely advice to its clients and it is great to be a part of that. My focus is on continuing the great work that Amber and the team has done, and building on the excellent level of service that clients can rely upon."

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