

Browne Jacobson announces key partner appointment to further grow higher education and charities practice

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Browne Jacobson has strengthened its higher education (HE) and charities sector credentials with the appointment of partner Nathalie Jacoby-Danesh.

Nathalie has extensive experience advising higher education institutions on a broad range of matters including corporate law, governance, funding arrangements, mergers and acquisitions and collaborative joint ventures. She also advises charities and not for profit organisations on a broad range of UK and international charity law issues.

Browne Jacobson's HE team has significant experience advising its clients on a broad range of legal areas including corporate and commercial contracts, information law, real estate, intellectual property, governance, public procurement, HR and employment law, safeguarding, and student matters.

Nathalie, who joins from Mills and Reeve and is a qualified lawyer in England and Wales and an "Avocat à la Cour" in Luxembourg, will also head up the firm's charity and not for profit sector team. The team currently advise national, regional and local charities, not-for-profit organisations, social enterprises, membership organisations, community groups, schools and colleges, churches, welfare and professional associations on all areas of charity law including charity formation, amalgamation, dissolution and restructuring, public and private sector partnerships, real estate matters, fundraising and governance issues.

In May 2022, Browne Jacobson became the first official law firm partner to O Shaped, an innovative movement with a mission to drive positive change within the legal sector. The main principals of O Shaped are incorporated into all of the firm's L&D programmes and talent pathways.

Bettina Rigg, head of higher education at Browne Jacobson, said: "Nathalie is a fantastic addition to the team. The breadth of her corporate and commercial experience across both the education and charity sectors will be an invaluable asset to our clients. She epitomises the O Shaped qualities and mindset that are central to the work we deliver for our clients, and we are delighted to have her on board."

Nathalie Jacoby-Danesh, added: "Browne Jacobson is a real powerhouse in the education sector. The strength in depth of the team and their reputation for providing cutting edge advice to the sector makes them the go to firm of choice for clients. I am looking forward to working with both teams and building on my experience to further support the growth of the firm."

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