



Press Release
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Gates and Partners Welcomes Aerospace Partner

London - Gates and Partners, the specialist aerospace and commercial law firm, is pleased to announce that Neil McGilchrist, presently of Counsel at the firm, will become a partner with immediate effect.

Neil has been identified in the current *Chambers Guide* as the senior statesman of aviation insurance and in the *Euromoney Guide* as a leading aviation practitioner. Other firm members who have been thus recognised include Senior Partner Sean Gates, named as the star individual in *Chambers* and the world's leading aviation insurance lawyer by *Euromoney*; and Paul Freeman, David Johnston and Dan Soffin, named as leading aviation insurance practitioners by *Euromoney*.

Today the rapidly expanding firm also announced the opening of its new Paris office.

Sean Gates commented, "Neil's coming on board as partner takes us a significant step on the way to our ambition to be the aerospace firm of choice for our target clients. We are proud that with his joining the partnership, no less than five of our partners have been recognised in the prestigious *Euromoney Guide* as leading practitioners".

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