



# David Sonter

**Partner**

**Corporate and M&A**



... everything I believe lawyers should be but unfortunately very few are.

———— Client quotation

**Primary practice**

Corporate and M&A

# About David Sonter

David builds long-term relationships by focusing on issues of strategic importance for his clients and acting as a trusted adviser to senior executives. He draws on his economics training and over 25 years' legal experience advising a diverse range of companies around the world.

David's transactional work includes acquisitions, disposals, takeovers, joint ventures, equity capital markets and restructurings in the telecoms, retail, energy, B2B and other sectors in over 15 countries.

David is highly regarded as an M&A and private equity lawyer in IFLR's law firm guide, was recognised by Deal magazine as their European Technology and Telecoms lawyer of the year in 2018 and is recognised for this Brazil M&A work by Latin Lawyer magazine.

## Recent work

- Compass on its £2bn share placing, Fuller, Smith & Turner on its £54m share placing and Deliveroo and Pepco Group on their £7.6bn and £4.3bn IPOs.
- CVC on its £767m take private of London-listed Eastern European drinks group Stock Spirits.
- Tesco on its £3.9bn cash-and-shares merger with Booker, &nbsp;strategic alliance with Carrefour, &nbsp;£8.2bn disposal of its Asian business and &nbsp;£5bn special dividend.
- The joint administrators of Arcadia on the sale of its Topshop, Topman and other clothing brands to ASOS, Boohoo and City Chic.
- Cosan on the restructuring of its shareholder arrangements with Shell as part of the \$14.3bn IPO of its Raizen Latin American renewable energy JV.
- Liberty Global on its €1.9bn Dutch telecoms JV with Vodafone, its €1.9bn disposal of UPC Austria to Deutsche Telekom, its €1.9bn disposal of UPC Germany and CEE to Vodafone and its 9.9 per cent stake in ITV.

## Qualifications

**Education**

- University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia (law, economics)

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