

*We don't believe in law as usual
For us, law is inspiring...*

Our story

A number of years ago, we decided that we could change the way legal services are delivered. That we could do them better. At gunnercooke, we believe the potential of our clients and our people rests with our ability to free the law and make it work as it should. Today, we attract passionate lawyers and advise with authority: every gunnercooke lawyer has a minimum 10,000 hours practising experience.

Flexibility, transparency and freedom guide everything we do. Flexibility for our people to work how they want. Transparency of cost for our clients because we removed time recordings and billable hours. Freedom for our people and clients to achieve their personal and professional aspirations.

We work with clients that believe tradition is there to be tested, not obeyed. Working together, we help them seek opportunities and push the boundaries of what's possible.

Providing a suite of corporate and commercial legal services, gunnercooke is one of the UK's fastest-growing challenger brands. Proud of what we have achieved, committed to doing more.



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Overview

What she's best at:

As the co-founder of gunnercooke; Sarah is passionate about challenging, improving and evolving the way in which legal services are delivered to businesses. Sarah is also hugely passionate about creating a business model that gives lawyers the opportunity to use the best of their legal abilities, in a way that motivates them. She is adamant that people should be able to practice law without sacrificing their personal life, something that many lawyers find difficult in the more traditional environments. Sarah has over 20 years' experience practising commercial law in a range of organisations, including FTSE 250 companies, private

entrepreneurial businesses and the public sector. She has held numerous executive and non-executive board positions, working in the leisure, media, financial and health sectors. She is an experienced Non-Executive Director and has a detailed knowledge of merger & acquisitions and governance requirements in listed companies.

Who she works for:

- Lawyers seeking to make a transition to a new way of working
- In-house counsel seeking an experienced adviser to help them manage their legal spend

Testimonials

"Sarah's energy and enthusiasm is a delight to work with. Her ability to quickly cut to the chase and provide clarity in very complex situations is a tangible asset to any board. Warmth and humour combined with a sharply perceptive eye, describes her approach - the mark of a true leader." – Wendy Williams, Managing Director, Frontiers CPE Limited

Experience highlights

- Built and managed a team responsible for Legal, Group Secretariat, Pension, Health and Safety, Insurance and Facilities functions with budgetary responsibility for these areas.
- Led various multi-million acquisitions and disposals including management of tax, accounting, legal and PR advisers; including:
 - Trinity's acquisition of Thomson Regional Newspapers (£325m)
 - Trinity's disposal of US publishing business (\$60m)
 - Stanley Leisure's disposal of its Betting Division to William Hill (£500m)
- Experience in managing Corporate Governance and risk management for listed PLCs.
- Responsible for the production of the Annual Report.
- Chairperson of Defined Benefit and Contribution Pension Schemes, managed pension schemes.

Awards:

- Legal Business Woman of the Year 2012, Association of Women Solicitors