

## Cripps bolsters technology team with lateral hire

Top 100 law firm Cripps is delighted to welcome Matthew Holman as a partner in its commercial team.

An expert in technology and privacy law, Matthew is one of only 20 lawyers in the UK to have gained Accredited IT Lawyers status with the Society for Computers and Law. He is well-known for his specialism in data protection and information rights and has commented on many high-profile data protection issues in the media. Matthew is also on the Practical Law Data Protection Consultation Board. He has worked on many large-scale technology projects in past 10 years and is instructed by many full list companies and household names, all of whom trust him with their trickiest legal problems. He also has expertise in Al laws, governance and regulation.

Matthew said: "I'm thrilled to be joining the team at Cripps. They have a great reputation in commercial law, particularly in the technology sector. This is a brilliant time to be a technology lawyer. It is a fast-moving discipline. The world is fascinated by the opportunities presented by the advancements in Al and machine-learning and how those technologies will revolutionise our economy and society. Data protection continues to be a complex topic right at the heart of business governance, transformation and outsourcing. And of course, technology contracts remain the backbone of twenty-first century business operations. I'm looking forward to starting this new adventure with Cripps, helping our clients with all of these topics and more. I'll be sharing my knowledge and experience with our clients and working with the team as we navigate these interesting times."

<u>Pete Kenyon</u>, head of the commercial team, commented: "This development is a key part of our commitment to technology as a core sector for Cripps now and for our future and we are delighted to have Matthew join the team. He is a recognised expert in technology law and has an outstanding reputation among his peers and clients. This addition to our team adds more weight to our offering and further enhances the services we can offer to our clients. We are incredibly excited about this new chapter and look forward to all of the things we will be able to do together."