Edinburgh firm of solicitors announce three new partners

Turcan Connell today announces three new Partners bringing the number of Partners at the firm to 21. Donald Simpson and Peter Littlefield have both been with Turcan Connell for a number of years, Donald having joined in 1998 a year after the firm was founded and Peter having joined in 2002. Their appointments to Partner continue the tradition of developing and nurturing talent within the firm and fostering long-term relationships with clients. Also joining the firm as a Partner is Mike Kane, a business law specialist from Bell & Scott.

Peter Littlefield works principally in the areas of contentious probate, succession planning, trust law, will drafting, tax planning, asset protection, executry administration and charities. Peter specialises in tax and estate planning for private clients, including entrepreneurs and landowners.

Donald Simpson advises on asset protection and tax planning for individuals, trusts and family businesses. His work includes the use of onshore and offshore trusts. Donald also advises on the use of companies limited by guarantee as structures for charities, community amateur sports clubs, trade bodies and member associations in Scotland. Donald is an alternate Director of Saltire Trustees, a wholly owned subsidiary of Turcan Connell based in Guernsey.

Mike Kane was a Partner with Bell & Scott for over ten years and was Head of their Corporate Department for seven years. Mike will be involved with a range of clients, from private individuals to charities and the owners and managers of land, and with many areas of Turcan Connell's business, providing a wide range of commercial law advice.

☑ Joint Senior Partner Douglas Connell said: "The Partnership is delighted to announce the appointment of these three new Partners as we continue to build the business for the long term. Donald Simpson and Peter Littlefield are well known to many of our clients and we are pleased that their careers will continue to flourish at Turcan Connell.

"As we have worked with clients over the last decade and a half, we have found that many of Turcan Connell's clients in the family business arena have increasing requirements for detailed business law advice. We have also recognised the growing need for advice on joint venture agreements, limited liability partnerships and other commercial contracts.

"In serving our clients who are owners and managers of land, we have recognised an increasing need for assistance with corporate structuring of development transactions and the architecture of renewable energy deals, as well as joint ventures particularly involving LLPs. Mike Kane's appointment as Partner will provide an extra depth of expertise in these areas and also assist our growing charity business where mergers and consolidation mean that many charities are now structured as corporate entities."

<u>Turcan Connell</u> now has 21 partners and around 300 staff who operate from offices in Edinburgh, Guernsey and London. Their legal services include trust and tax, land and property, family law, employment law, charity law and business law. They also offer a comprehensive range of tax and financial planning advice and investment management services.