



New Marine Partner joins Lester Aldridge

Leading South Coast law firm Lester Aldridge is pleased to welcome new partner [Philippa Langton](#) to [LA Marine](#), its specialist shipping and marine law team.

Philippa previously qualified and worked for almost 10 years at one of the leading specialist shipping law firms in London, including 3 years in their Shanghai office, before moving to a leading P&I Club where she became a Senior Claims Director specialising in Freight, Demurrage & Defence.

With a strong background in commercial shipping and a focus on charterparty and other contractual disputes, Philippa has advised many international, high-profile companies on a wide range of issues. She also now works closely with the leisure marine and superyacht sectors, providing advice on contentious, non-contentious and regulatory matters.

Commenting on her arrival, Philippa said: "I am thrilled to be joining LA's thriving and expanding marine practice. I am happy to be returning to my roots on the South Coast to work with local businesses as well as expanding LA Marine's global reach."

LA Marine offers expert legal advice to the shipping, logistics, superyacht & leisure marine sectors. It is recognised as one of the leading marine law practices based predominantly outside London, and celebrated its [20 year anniversary](#) last year.

[Russell Kelly](#), Head of LA Marine, commented: "I am delighted to welcome Philippa to LA Marine and to our Southampton office. Her breadth of expertise will complement the team's strength and increase our international capability, particularly in the Far East, where she established strong connections."