



Lester Aldridge strengthens real estate offering

Lester Aldridge is pleased to announce the promotion of [Claire Long](#) from associate to partner and welcomes [Deena Blake](#) as a new associate, both with the [Real Estate](#) group.

Claire joined Lester Aldridge's Southampton office in 2018 having qualified at an international law firm in 2006 and since then working in the region. She advises on a variety of commercial property matters including all aspects of non-disputed landlord and tenant work, property portfolio management and investment acquisitions and disposals. Claire prides herself on providing pragmatic, commercial and efficient advice to all of her clients.

Experienced real estate lawyer Deena Blake recently rejoined the Bournemouth office as an associate solicitor, specialising in residential development and social housing. Her experience includes acting for a number of the top 10 national house-builders, regional house-builders, housing associations, councils and private individuals.

[Matthew Barrow](#), Managing Partner at Lester Aldridge, commented: "I am delighted to congratulate Claire on her well-deserved promotion to partner and welcome Deena to the firm. These talented lawyers further bolster our Real Estate group, continuing our growth and strength in this sector and helping us to carry on providing high levels of service our clients have come to expect."

Photo: Claire Long & Matthew Barrow