REBECCA KELLY JOINS CLYDE & CO REGULATORY & INVESTIGATIONS GLOBAL PRACTICE

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Global law firm <u>Clyde & Co</u> has appointed **Rebecca Kelly** (pictured) as a partner in their regulatory & investigations global practice. This marks Kelly's return to the firm after nine years and she will now spearhead the firm's regulatory and investigations practice in the Middle East.

Kelly has more than two decades of experience in leading and defending investigations throughout the Middle East and Asia Pacific (APAC). She advises multinational companies on compliance with anti-corruption/bribery, anti-money laundering, sanctions, and anti-boycott laws. Additionally, she defends companies facing enforcement by regulators.

Kelly is also an advocate with full rights of audience in the Dubai International Financial Centre (DIFC) Courts and has served as counsel in high-value Dubai International Arbitration Centre (DIAC), International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), The London Court of International Arbitration (LCIA), and DIFC-LCIA arbitrations.

Prior to joining Clyde & Co, Kelly was the Dubai managing partner and head of litigation at Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, where she led the firm's regulatory and disputes team in the Middle East.

Rebecca Kelly's appointment adds to Clyde & Co's global regulatory & investigations team, following the appointments of partners **Weiyi Tan** in Singapore and **Matthew Ellis** in Melbourne last year.

Rachel Cropper-Mawer, partner, regulatory & investigations, Clyde & Co, says: "Rebecca is a

phenomenally experienced regulatory lawyer with investigations expertise. Increasingly our clients' investigations and regulatory requirements cross borders and the return of Rebecca to Clyde & Co will boost our local and global team and broaden our offering to our clients. We are delighted at her return."

Susie Abdel-Nabi, partner and head of dispute resolution, Middle East, comments: "Rebecca is one of the leading regulatory lawyers in the region and we are delighted that she is returning to Clyde & Co. The regulatory landscape is rapidly evolving and Rebecca's experience will allow us to better advise our clients on how to manage these risks and make the most of the opportunities that exist."

Rebecca Kelly adds: "Returning to Clyde & Co is a fantastic opportunity as the firm expands its regulatory and investigations offering globally. We have seen a steady increase in the number of corporate investigations and complex cross-border disputes arising from these investigations as regulators become more proactive, moving compliance up the priority list for in-house Counsel and Boards across all sectors. We are ideally placed to help clients with these pressures and I am delighted to be working again with the experienced global team."