

McGill and Partners appoints Nick Williams-Walker as Group Chief Operating Officer

London, 6 September 2024: McGill and Partners, the independent global specialty insurance and reinsurance broker, is delighted to announce the appointment of Nick Williams-Walker as Group Chief Operating Officer, with effect from 23 September 2024.

Nick joins McGill and Partners from Gallagher where he has been COO of Alesco and Gallagher Specialty for five years. Prior to this Nick was at JLT for almost eight years as COO of JLT Specialty and was formerly at Aon for over 13 years in a series of senior operationally focussed leadership roles including an extended period in India overseeing the establishment of the Aon operations in the country. Nick also serves as the Chair of the Technical Group of the London Market Group's Data Council.

Nick will succeed Stephen Cross in this role, who has been the firm's acting Group COO since January 2022. Stephen Cross, one of the co-founders of McGill and Partners, will continue his role of Head of Strategy and Innovation, focussing on strategy, innovation, talent acquisition, and brand and marketing. He will also continue to maintain responsibility for Europe.

Nick has a long history in the specialty intermediary space and his experience of optimising client service, innovation and leveraging gains and efficiencies from technology over many years will be a huge asset to a digital-first business such as McGill and Partners, which takes a cutting-edge approach to technology.

Steve McGill, CEO and founder of McGill and Partners, said: "As we continue to pursue exceptional talent, we are delighted to welcome Nick as Group Chief Operating Officer of McGill and Partners. Nick brings extensive experience to an already strong and talented team, and we look forward to Nick joining the firm later this month."

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Headquartered in London, we work with clients globally and have offices in Bermuda, the US, Ireland, Australia, Switzerland, and Germany. The firm has significant backing from funds affiliated with Warburg Pincus, a leading global private equity firm, alongside founder and employee ownership.

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