

McGill and Partners bolsters its Irish business with two new hires

Dublin – 20 January 2025 - McGill and Partners, the global specialty insurance and reinsurance broker, has appointed John Barry and Jack Farrell as partners in specialty broking in Ireland.

John joins McGill and Partners from WTW (previously Coyle Hamilton), where he was the Head of their Financial Lines and Construction Practices for over 30 years. John has experience in complex D&O programmes for both private and public companies, as well as looking after their professional indemnity, crime and cyber needs. He also provides insurance advisory and due diligence services to funders, government agencies and has extensive experience as an Authority Insurance Advisor on most of the PPPs (public-private partnerships) in Ireland to date.

Jack also joins from WTW, where he was the Corporate Broker and Construction Industry Leader. Jack originally qualified as a quantity surveyor before moving into insurance. He has over 11 years of experience delivering insurance advisory, programme design, and placement requirements for a variety of large developer, contractor, and funder clients.

In their new roles, John and Jack will play a key part in building McGill and Partners' business in Ireland and Europe, particularly in the construction sector for both contractors and developers and including Single Project Insurance, PPPs and Latent Defects. John will concentrate on financial lines with particular focus on aviation, insurance due diligence and large property risks. Jack will focus on supporting and developing the European property and construction specialty, concentrating on large and complex risks.

Both appointments come at a time of significant growth for the firm's Irish office, which now employs over 30 people. This expansion reflects McGill and Partners' commitment to strengthening its presence in Ireland and further developing its European operations.

Stephen Cross, Head of Innovation and Strategy at McGill and Partners said: *"John and Jack have extensive experience in placing insurance for businesses with complex needs and providing high-level advisory services. Therefore, they are perfectly placed to grow our specialty broking arm in Ireland. We are delighted to have them join our expanding team and look forward to working with them."*

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