

# Property lawyer joins Emmersons Solicitors

Emmersons Solicitors has welcomed a new recruit to its property law department, further strengthening the depth and breadth of its services, as North East Times reports.

Richard Twyford has recently been appointed at Emmersons Solicitors, and brings a wealth of experience in both Residential and Commercial property law to his new role.

Having originally practiced in the North East, before moving to the south of the country, Richard has returned to his roots and is thrilled to be joining Emmersons Newcastle and Sunderland offices.

He comments: "Emmersons was too good an opportunity to pass up and I am looking forward to it; I have a lot to get my teeth into and I want to make the most of it. The business has grown a lot over the last couple of years and it's great to be coming in at this stage to try to take it on to the next level."

As part of his training, Richard worked with his father, who is also a property lawyer and once worked for Linklaters, one of London's most prestigious law firms. Since qualifying, Richard has dealt in all areas of Residential and Commercial property, such as the creation and renewal of leases for commercial property, planning law and the purchase and sale of businesses, ranging from pubs and shops to factories and niche companies – "all of which bring their own slightly unique challenges," he says.

In addition, he has personal experience to draw upon when it comes to anticipating clients' requirements as his wife owns her own business, which Richard helps out with.

He explains: "I understand what it takes to run a business from day to day so I can understand what our commercial clients need and what their priorities are."



Richard Twyford

Speaking of her decision to appoint Richard, Jacqueline Emmerson, partner in Emmersons Solicitors, comments: "Richard has integrity, technical knowledge, extensive commercial property experience and the ability to communicate easily with clients.

"You don't often get the breadth of Richard's experience on the High Street. It means we can offer everything the bigger firms are offering but with a more personal service and at reasonable prices."

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- Many people now cohabit instead of marrying, including same sex couples. They think that they will be provided for if their partner dies. Without a will your next of kin may inherit everything instead of your partner.
- Do you have children from more than one relationship? If so you will need to specify how much of your estate they are to inherit and why.

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