

Robert Brodrick, Private Client partner and Chair of Payne Hicks Beach features in The Spear's Tax Advisers Index 2019 and is ranked in the "Top Ten Tax & Trust Lawyers" list as "outstanding in field", first published in Spear's Magazine, Issue No 70, September/October 2019

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TOP TEN TAX & TRUST LAWYERS

The shadow of Brexit may still loom – but it's an aggressive HMRC and the threat of a Corbyn government that are really unsettling clients of the leading tax and trust specialists. Here, the *Spear's* Research Unit profiles the leading advisers in the field, beginning with our top ten tax and trust lawyers...

TOP TEN TAX LAWYERS

Robert Brodrick *Payne Hicks Beach*



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Payne Hicks Beach

Outstanding in field

FIRM SIZE *UK*

FOCUS *UHNW families*

A regular fixture in our top ten, Robert Brodrick has reached a position of considerable eminence in his field – as ratified recently by his appointment as chair of Payne Hicks Beach's newly established management board.

When *Spear's* caught up with him at a breakfast, he showed no signs of slowing down his

client work as a result of this promotion. 'My main specialisms are Middle Eastern clients, US/UK clients and landed estate owners,' he says. 'I work closely with our contentious trust team.'

Of course, it's been a busy few years. 'We continue to deal with the after-effects of the 2017 non-dom changes with advice to clients on "cleansing" their mixed funds,' he notes.

Brodrick started off at Withers, before joining Trowers & Hamblins in 2004. In 2012, he moved to Payne Hicks Beach with a small team and has been a partner ever since.

Politics-wise, he sees more to fear from the Corbyn-McDonnell axis than from Brexit. The property market is also a concern. 'It has been very hard hit by the SDLT changes, and this – combined with economic uncertainty – means that overseas buyers are being much more cautious about investing in UK property.'