

# Emily Taylor Consultant

INTERNET LAW AND GOVERNANCE

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## Summary

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Award-winning Internet policy professional and lawyer with proven track record in building successful relationships with diverse stakeholders including parliamentarians, government officials and business leaders. Existing member of IGF Multistakeholder Advisory Group (appointed by UN Secretary General). Expert in international Internet Governance, with extensive networks. Strong consensus building, presentation and negotiation skills. Experienced in intellectual property, domain name dispute resolution, corporate and commercial law.

## Professional experience

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### ***Oxford Information Labs Ltd, 2010 to date***

Director

### ***Independent Consultant, Internet Law and Governance, 2010 to date***

Clients include the Australian Domain Authority (auDA), and the .eu registry (Eurid). Continued active role in the Multistakeholder Advisory Group to the Internet Governance Forum.

### ***Nominet, 2000-2009***

Director of Legal and Policy (2005-2009)

Company Secretary (2002-2009)

Previous positions:

Legal Department Manager (2002-2005)

Company lawyer (2000-2002)

## Appointments

- Appointed by the UN Secretary General to the Advisory Group to the Internet Governance Forum, 2006-present.
- Parliamentary IT Committee (PITCOM) Council (2008-2009)
- Confederation of British Industry (CBI) West Midlands Council (2007-2009)
- Director of Council for European Top Level Domain Registries (CENTR), 2005-2006.

## Achievements

- Negotiated exchange of letters between ICANN and Nominet, 2006 – a process which had been deadlocked for 8 years.
- Led the development of UK Internet Governance Forum, in collaboration with UK Department of Business, and key parliamentarians. Devised and implemented Nominet's Best Practice Challenge.
- Organised delegation of British MPs to the Rio and Hyderabad Internet Governance Forum 2007 and 2008.
- Formulated Nominet's WHOIS opt-out for non-trading individuals, recognized internationally as a successful model.

- Devised and implemented Nominet's award winning Dispute Resolution Service (2001). Led consultation processes, resulting in incremental improvements (2004), and introduction of summary decisions (2008).
- Won record damages in Australia for copyright infringement of Nominet's WHOIS database.
- Advised on corporate governance reforms and successive amendments to memorandum and articles, 2006-2009.

## Representation

- Represented Nominet at World Summit on the Information Society (2005), Working Group on Internet Governance (2005), Advisory Group to Internet Governance Forum (2006-date).
- Moderated plenary session on Critical Internet Resources at Internet Governance Forum 2008
- Press spokesman for Nominet.

## Awards

- Winner, Legal Week In-house Technology Media and Telecoms team of the year, 2005
- Winner, Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution (CEDR) award for excellence in Alternative Dispute Resolution (Industry), 2004
- Finalist, Financial Times Innovative Lawyer, 2007
- Finalist, CEDR award for excellence in Alternative Dispute Resolution (Industry), 2006, 2008
- Finalist, The Lawyer In-house Technology Media and Telecoms team of the year, 2005

## Previous employment

### ***Manches & Co, Oxford***

Assistant Solicitor (Mar 1999 – Apr 2000)

Domain name disputes, Intellectual Property litigation, IT, Data Protection, Company, Property

### ***McKenna & Co (now CMS Cameron McKenna), London***

Trainee Solicitor, then Assistant Solicitor (Sep 1996 – Mar 1999)

Qualified into Intellectual Property Department, March 1998, specializing in copyright and trademark litigation. Assisted on Elvis Presley Enterprises v Elvisly Yours (1997) R.P.C. 543 and Bach & Bach Flower Remedies Trade Marks (1999) RPC 1. Advised on copyright, trade marks, advertising law. Member of Advertising Law special interest group.

### ***Goodman Derrick, London***

Paralegal (Sep 1995 – Mar 1996)

Assisted on Jonathan Aitken and Peter Bottomley libel cases.

## Professional and Academic Qualifications

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2009	Open University – MBA (Distinction)
1998	Admitted as solicitor in England and Wales
1995	College of Law London - Legal Practice Course (Distinction)
1994	South Bank University – Common Professional Exam (Commendation)
1989	Jesus College Cambridge - BA Hons, Classics (2:1)
1985	3 A levels (Latin A, Greek A, History A)
1983	10 O Levels (9 at grade A)

## **Personal**

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Married with two children.

A keen singer and musician; member of aging (semi-retired) rock band for 15 years; other hobbies include cooking and eating, watching movies, walking, and the Internet.