

## First law firm affiliate for rail safety body

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Myton Law has become the first law firm to be accepted as an affiliate of the independent rail safety body, Rail Safety Standards Board (RSSB). A specialist rail, logistics and shipping legal practice, Myton Law advises key players in the rail industry.

RSSB was established in 2003 following the Ladbroke Grove accident. Its core purpose is to help the industry work together to drive improvements in the rail system. RSSB supports its membership of around 400, including passenger train operators, freight train operators, infrastructure managers and owners and rolling stock manufacturers and owners, in order to improve health, safety and wellbeing performance.

Keen to involve specialist law firms working in the rail industry, RSSB has recruited Myton Law as its first affiliate from the legal sector. Commenting, RSSB's Chief Executive Officer, Mark Phillips said, "It's fantastic to welcome Myton Law on board, to connect and collaborate with the rail industry in this way. We really look forward to working with their team to achieve positive benefits for both Myton Law, and for our wider community of members, affiliates and stakeholders."

Head of Rail Law at Myton Law and former Head of Commercial Law at DB Cargo UK and General Counsel for Schenker Limited, Chris Thornes said, "Safety is always a large element of the contractual work we undertake for clients in the rail sector, so it is good to be invited to collaborate with RSSB. The Myton Law

rail team look forward to working with RSSB to contribute to its objective of ensuring that all areas of operation are as safe as possible.”

Myton Law’s specialists have hands on rail law experience in the UK and Europe. They advise on straight forward rail matters to complex strategic rail developments often involving multi-modal. Clients include freight train operators, rolling stock companies and rail terminals. Services include connection and access agreements, rail freight haulage agreements, sidings and track maintenance agreements, rail procurement contracts, European service design, rail real estate, dispute resolution and regulatory and health & safety law.

Myton Law is also a long-standing member of the Rail Freight Group and will be exhibiting at Stand 8079 within the RFG’s Pavilion at Multimodal in October.

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