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#### REDDIE & GROSE

### Aidan Robson



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Aidan died of a heart attack on Sunday 20 September. Aidan died whilst on a cycle with friends so was doing two of the things he enjoyed most – cycling and being with friends.

Aidan joined Reddie & Grose straight from university in 1987 and became a partner in 1993. He had an MSc in hypersonic aerodynamics from Oxford University so was the proverbial rocket scientist. He was both a patent and trade mark attorney and a leading light in our Electrical, Electronics and Software group as well as our Trade Marks group. He was a non-executive director of Computer Patent Annuities from 2000 to 2009.

Aidan was well-known and respected in the IP profession in the UK and abroad. He was an active member of and enjoyed APAA and INTA which meant that for many around the world he was the public face of Reddie & Grose. As those who knew Aidan will confirm, he enjoyed an audience and was a natural joke teller. Laughter is something closely associated with Aidan.

Aidan was a respected IP practitioner who had a deserved reputation for giving focused commercially helpful advice. He was also a valued and trusted mentor to a number of trainees who have gone onto great things.

Aidan was closely involved in the management of the firm for many years and was key to its transformation into the dynamic practice it is now. It was very important to Aidan that Reddie & Grose should be a profitable thriving business which valued all its staff and was somewhere people enjoyed working.

The bottom line is Aidan was a highly competent IP attorney and a good bloke with a seemingly inexhaustible line in jokes. He was rightly proud of his key role in making Reddie & Grose the thriving but friendly firm it is.

Our thoughts and prayers are with his widow Kelly and sons Louis and Miles.

#### Qualifications

- Chartered Patent Attorney (1992)
- European Patent Attorney (1991)
- Chartered Trade Mark Attorney (1993)
- European Trade Mark Attorney (1996)

- European Design Attorney (1996)
- Master of Science in hypersonic aerodynamics, Oxford University
- Degree in electrical and electronic engineering, Newcastle Polytechnic

## Memberships

- Association Internationale pour la Protection de la Propriété Intellectuelle (AIPPI)
- Chartered Institute of Patent Agents (CIPA)
- Chartered Institute of Trade Mark Attorneys (CITMA)
- Licensing Executives Society (LES)

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