CV - William McKechnie



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EXPERIENCE

McKechnie Advisory AB, Founder, 2024 -

Professional advisory firm providing management & legal consultancy services and executive coaching.

Alecta Occupational Pension Company, 2021-2024

Sweden's largest pension company, administering the occupational pensions of 2.8 million private individuals and 35,000 companies with assets under management of approximately SEK 1.2 billion.

General Counsel, Head of Legal, Procurement and Sustainability 2021 – 2024 Deputy CEO 2023

General Counsel and head of the legal, procurement and sustainability department. Legal department consisted of 10 lawyers responsible for providing legal advice on insurance, pensions, investments, contracts and corporate governance. Member of group management and Secretary to the Board of Directors and the Finance Committee. Deputy CEO during interim period in 2023.

If P&C Insurance AB (publ), Stockholm, 2008-2021

The leading non-life insurance company in the Nordics with 3.7 million customers. Owned by the Finnish listed Sampo Group with operations in Sweden, Norway, Finland, Denmark and the Baltic States.

Head of Legal Sweden 2018 – 2021 Senior Vice President 2015 – 2021

Head of If's legal department in Sweden with 16 lawyers, responsible for all legal advice incl. litigation, corporate and insurance law.

Head of Corporate Legal Sweden 2012 - 2018

Head of If's corporate legal department in Sweden with 5 lawyers, responsible for corporate and business law, tax and finance law, M&A, board and committee secretaries.

Head of Liability Claims 2010 – 2012

Head of If's liability claims department in Sweden with 20 lawyers handling liability claims against corporate customers in Sweden, Europe and the US.

Senior Legal Counsel 2008 - 2010

Responsible for corporate law, business law, competition law, IT, international insurance disputes.

Mannheimer Swartling Law Firm, Associate, Stockholm, 2003 - 2008

SCC Arbitration Institute, Legal Counsel (secondment), Stockholm, 2006

Office of the Attorney General, Dublin, Ireland, Legal Research Officer, 2001-2003

BOARD ASSIGNMENTS

The SCC Arbitration Institute

Member of the Board of Directors (2019 - ongoing)

Alecta Occupational Pension Company

Secretary to the Board of Directors (2021-2023), Secretary to the Finance Committee (2021-2023) Member of the Nomination Committee of Systemair Sverige AB (2021-2023) Member of the Nomination Committee of AAK AB (2021-2023)

If P&C Insurance AB (publ)

Secretary to the Board of Directors (2012 - 2019)

If Life Insurance AB

Member of the Board of Directors (2020 - 2021), Secretary to the Board of Directors (2010)

If Services AB

Chairman of the Board (2018 - 2021), Member of the Board of Directors (2016 - 2018)

OTHER ENGAGEMENTS

Stockholms University

Lecturer in Business Law, Tort Law and Legal Methods (2007–2021)

If P&C Insurance AB (publ)

Secretary: Risk Committee (2012 – 2021), Tax Committee (2012 – 2018), Investment Committee (2012 – 2015) Member: Underwriting Committee (2019 – 2021), M&A Advisory Board (2020 – 2021), Diversity & Inclusion Board (2019 – 2021)

Swedish Bar Association

Advokat (2006-2008)

The Bar of Ireland

Barrister-at-law (2003-ongoing)

VOLONTARY WORK

Mitt Liv AB, Mentor for academics with a foreign background and post-secondary education (2024 – ongoing) Kadampa Meditation Center Stockholm, Meditation teacher, Administrative Director (2007 – ongoing)

EDUCATION

Conversion course for EU lawyers, **Stockholm University** (2005 – 2006)

Barrister at Law Degree, **The Honorable Society of Kings Inns, Dublin** (2001 – 2003)

Degree in Laws and German (LLB (Ling.Germ)), **Trinity College Dublin** (1996 – 2000)

Socrates Exchange Programme, **Johannes Kepler University, Linz, Austria** (1998 - 1999)

SNS Social Studies Programme (2023), Diploma in coaching (2023), Developmental Leadership (UL) (2022), Courses in Basic Programming (C# & Python) (2016–2020), If Leadership Programme 2 (Oxford Leadership Academy) (2015), UGL (Understanding Groups and Leaders) (2011), If Candidate Management Programme (2009), If Project Management Programme (2009)

LANGUAGES

English: Mother tongue

Swedish: Fluent

German: 10 years of secondary school and university studies

French: 6 years of secondary school studies

Irish: 14 years of primary and secondary school studies