

# Jessica de Mounteney appointed GLD Director General

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Jessica de Mounteney has been appointed a Director General of GLD and will be leading the Litigation with Justice and Security directorate.

Jessica joins GLD from the Office of Parliamentary Counsel (OPC), bringing with her a wealth of experience and legal expertise.

Jessica was called to the bar in 1994 and has enjoyed an impressive Government Legal Profession (GLP) career, joining OPC in 1997 where she worked on a full range of legislative projects, including the original Government of Wales Act. She has been seconded to the Law Commission twice between 2003 and 2006 and 2015 and 2018, working on the NHS consolidation of 2006 and latterly as a senior drafter.

In 2020 Jessica was promoted to Director General Team Leader in OPC, leading the team with responsibility for drafting legislation for the Cabinet Office, Home Office, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Defence, Scotland Office, Northern Ireland Office, and Wales Office.

On her appointment Jessica says:

"I am delighted to be seconded to GLD. I have always hugely admired and respected the professionalism and expertise of GLD colleagues and this is a fantastic opportunity to contribute to the work that they do at a very challenging time. I am also grateful for the chance to encourage even better relationships between OPC and GLD and mutual understanding of the work of both."

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