

# The Preston Associates

EXECUTIVE COACHING SPECIALISTS

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Katie has twenty years' experience as a legal professional (both Barrister and Solicitor) and, until May 2018, was the Managing Partner of the Dublin office of an international law firm. She combines her analytical thinking style from her legal work with her creative and empathetic coaching approach to ensure the focus is on practical and workable solutions. Katie adopts a thinking partnership method in her coaching and brings her experience of working in teams and at a senior level in the law to establish trust and rapport with her clients.

## Experience

Katie qualified as a lawyer in London in 1998 and worked there both in private practice and in-house, until moving to Dublin in 2004. In her role as Partner in the Litigation Department in Matheson she established a reputation for clear thinking and commercial advice. Katie was asked in 2009 to set up and run the Irish office of DAC Beachcroft, a UK top 20 law firm. Together with a talented team, she developed the Irish business to over 50 people in 9 years and sat as a member of both the Group and Executive Boards of the global business. Katie has a proven track record in building and sustaining high-performing teams and client relationships. Using this expertise, she works alongside clients to clarify their goals and to provide them with support as they implement the key changes they have identified.

## Education, Qualifications, Professional Memberships

- MA(Hons) Law, University of Cambridge
- Postgraduate diploma in Bar Vocational Studies, City Law School, University of London
- Postgraduate diploma in Business & Executive Coaching, Smurfit Business School, UCD
- Solicitor (non-practising) Ireland and England & Wales
- Member of the European Mentoring & Coaching Council
- Accredited Time to Think coach