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**Frenkel Topping Group plc  
("Frenkel Topping" or the "Group")**

**Frenkel Topping Limited partners with Express Solicitors to provide life after  
settlement advice**

Frenkel Topping, the specialist independent financial advisor and asset manager focused on asset protection for clients, is pleased to announce Frenkel Topping Limited ("FTL"), its IFA arm, has established a 50:50 joint venture with Express Solicitors ("Express"), to provide life after settlement advice to their clients. Express Solicitors are a Manchester based top 200 law firm, specialising in personal injury. The joint venture will be named ExpressFT Limited ("ExpressFT").

As part of this joint venture, Frenkel Topping Limited will become a preferred IFA to offer specialist post-settlement advice to Express' clients who have suffered from personal injury and clinical negligence. This partnership follows recent joint ventures with Hudgell Solicitors and Horwich Cohen Coghlan Ltd as part of the Group's strategy to expand its client base, develop innovative new products for its IFA business and support future AUM growth.

**Richard Fraser, CEO of Frenkel Topping Group plc, said:**

"We are pleased to be partnering with Express Solicitors. This new joint venture will bring additional referrals to support the expansion of our client base and future AUM growth."

**Mark Holt, Managing Director of Frenkel Topping Limited, said:**

"We have worked alongside Express Solicitors for many years and have always admired the passion and care with which they act for clients in legal proceedings. Our similar cultures, which both put clients at the core of all we do, was a key consideration. The ability to offer life after settlement advice through ExpressFT will support our growth strategy by expanding the client base and building AUM. We are delighted that Express Solicitors chose Frenkel Topping as its partner of choice in this new venture."

**James Maxey, Managing Partner of Express Solicitors, said:**

"We've recommended clients to Frenkel Topping for many years, in cases where they would benefit from the specialist investment advice provided. Frenkel Topping are very clearly focused on the needs of injury victims and have a similar culture and philosophy to our own. As our client base continues to grow, we look forward to partnering with Frenkel Topping to support our shared clients with an expanded range of services."

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**About Frenkel Topping Group:** [www.frenkeltopping.co.uk](http://www.frenkeltopping.co.uk)

The financial services firm consists of Frenkel Topping Limited, Ascencia Investment Management, Obiter Wealth Management and Equatas Accountants.

The group of companies specialises in providing financial advice and asset protection services to clients at times of financial vulnerability, with particular expertise in the field of personal injury and clinical negligence.

With more than 30 years' experience in the industry, Frenkel Topping Group has earned a reputation for commercial astuteness underpinned by a strong moral obligation to its clients, employees and wider society, with a continued focus on its Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) impact.

Through its core business, **Frenkel Topping Limited**, the firm supports litigators pre-settlement in achieving maximum damages, by providing expert witness services, and post-settlement to achieve the best long-term financial outcomes for clients after injury. It boasts a client retention rate of 99%.

The Group's discretionary fund manager, **Ascencia**, provides bespoke financial portfolios for clients in unique circumstances. In recent years Ascencia has diversified its portfolios to include a Sharia-law-compliant portfolio and a number of ESG portfolios in response to increased interest in socially responsible investing (SRI).

**Obiter** provides a generalist wealth management service – including advice on Savings; Tax planning; Life Insurance; Critical Illness and Income protection; Endowment advice and Keyman Insurance, with a particular specialism in financial advice on pensions and pension sharing orders for the clients of divorce and family lawyers. Obiter applies the same core principles of honesty, transparency, responsibility and reliability to individuals, regardless of background or situation.

In 2019, Frenkel Topping launched its accountancy arm, **Equatas**, to assist clients with tax planning and move closer to providing a full end-to-end service under the Group brand, improving the experience for clients and maintaining the Group's standards throughout the client journey.

### **About Express Solicitors**

<https://www.expressolicitors.co.uk/>

Express Solicitors is a Top 200 UK law firm with 340 employees headquartered in Manchester. The firm focuses on personal injury compensation cases and has specialist solicitors and barristers who provide expert service across every type of personal injury

claim, including catastrophic, clinical negligence, road accident, and employers and occupiers liability cases.