



Manchester United buys out ITV from Manchester United Television ("MUTV")

Wiggin has advised Manchester United on its acquisition of ITV's one third stake in MUTV, the world's leading club channel. The Club now owns two thirds of the channel, with the remaining third owned by Sky Ventures, a subsidiary of BSkyB. MUTV was launched in 1998 and is available in the UK and Ireland by subscription on Sky Digital and cable platforms. The Channel is also available worldwide by subscription or as programming blocks purchased by international broadcasters. As part of the deal, Wiggin also negotiated a new DTH agreement with Sky on behalf of the Channel. The Wiggin team was led by corporate partner and head of sport, Michael Brader, and broadcast partner, Richard McMorris, assisted by corporate assistant, Ciaran Hickey, and broadcast assistant, Paul Dow.