

Greenland: Exploring frozen assets in a recession

The partners would like to congratulate Toby Fountaine, solicitor in the Trusts, Tax and Estate department upon his successful completion of the 2009 East Greenland Expedition.

The team explored the Schweizerland Mountains on the East coast of Greenland, north of Kulusuk, the second largest settlement for nearly 1,000 km radius with a population of 300 and no running water (or frozen water pipes). Temperatures as low as -35C were experienced, but thankfully only when the skies were clear and when the weather was otherwise most clement.

At least one mountain was summited on each climbing day, a number of which were first ascents, and all of which offered magnificent views for an estimated 100 km. The reconnaissance element of the expedition paved the way for future expeditions and further geological and topographical surveying begun here.

Toby is a Fellow of the Royal Geographical Society and Fellow of the Geological Society, and would like to thank Greenland Expeditions and Jagged Globe for their invaluable input in making the expedition such a success.

