

Ben Drew Partner

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Overview

Ben Drew is a partner in the Dispute Resolution department at Fladgate.

He specialises in financial services disputes and contentious insolvency, both domestically and in a wide range of overseas jurisdictions. Ben has particular experience in representing large professional services firms in relation to professional negligence actions and investigations, in both a litigation and regulatory context.

Ben has litigated in all divisions of the High Court and has considerable experience in successfully managing alternative means of dispute resolution.

He has acted for a number of international investment and commercial banks and for the majority of the UK's largest professional services firms. He also frequently works closely with leading insolvency practitioners.

Ben is a member of Insol and R3 Business Recovery Professionals.

He qualified in 2004, joining Fladgate in November 2018.

Experience

- Advising a major international professional services provider in defending a multi-million pound claim for professional negligence arising out of advice provided in relation to a tax efficiency scheme.
- Advising a major investment bank in a dispute arising out of a credit linked note issue, concerning the poor performance of the underlying Russian property portfolio.
- Providing expert evidence to the Barcelona Court on the English law of bank

Expertise

Banking & Finance Law

- Banking & Financial Litigation
- Financial Services
- Insolvency & Restructuring

Dispute Resolution

- Banking & Financial Litigation
- Commercial Litigation
- Contentious Trusts
- Fraud & Asset Recovery
- Insolvency & Restructuring
- International Arbitration
- Professional Negligence
- Regulatory, Governance & Investigations

Private Client

- Contentious Trusts

Industry

Renewable & Green Energy
Owner Managed Businesses
International
Financial Institutions

Location

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guarantees, in on-going Spanish proceedings relating to the Defendant's underlying funding arrangements with a UK investment bank.

- Advising off-shore fund manager in relation to a dispute arising out of a family trust's interests in certain fund-managed assets across a number of off-shore jurisdictions.
- Acting for a major international professional services provider in responding to an SEC investigation into independence issues relating to a major audit client.
- Advising a major European Investment Bank in relation to its global offensive and defensive strategies in light of its exposure to the infamous Ponzi scheme in Bernard Madoff Investment Securities.
- Advising on a full range of contentious issues arising out of the compulsory liquidation of the Carillion group.
- Advising a major UK institution in relation to a reputationally-sensitive internal fraud investigation.
- Acting for a private equity investor in relation to the re-organisation of its portfolio of publishing businesses and managing on-going proceedings arising out of the original acquisition.
- Advising the Administrator of a multi-site wind farm business in conducting a full investigation into the conduct of former directors and coordinating a detailed claims' strategy.
- Advising a number of high net worth individuals in a series of very high value shareholder disputes in which the clients had variously been accused of deceit and conspiracy.

International

Offshore

French speaking

Testimonials

'The 'personable and very bright' Ben Drew has a strong reputation handling insolvency-related disputes within the financial services sector'.

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