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## Overview

John Ford is a partner in the Dispute Resolution department at Fladgate.

He specialises in commercial litigation including complex trust, civil fraud and high-profile art disputes. John is regularly instructed to protect trusts from attack; to obtain and, separately, to overturn both domestic and worldwide freezing injunctions; to trace and recover assets; and to manage crisis situations.

John regularly acts for trustees and fiduciary service providers, owner entrepreneurs, high net worth individuals, venture capital and private equity houses.

John practises at all levels of the English Civil Court system and in offshore jurisdictions including the British Virgin Islands (BVI), Gibraltar, the Isle of Man (IOM) and Jersey.

John was named in Legal 500 2017 for contentious trusts work, providing “*an immaculate service with excellent response times, and has a depth of knowledge and experience which shows that each matter has been researched beforehand to the highest standard*”.

He is also an ADR Group Accredited Mediator.

He qualified in 2007 and joined Fladgate in April 2018.

## Experience

- Overturning for eight trust and corporate entities a US\$3.04bn worldwide without notice freezing injunction obtained in England, BVI, IOM and Jersey by one of the largest Russian crude oil producers (*PJSC Tatneft v (1) Gennadiy Bogolyubov (2)*)

## Expertise

### Banking & Finance Law

- [Insolvency & Restructuring](#)

### Dispute Resolution

- [Commercial Litigation](#)
- [Contentious Trusts](#)
- [Fraud & Asset Recovery](#)
- [Insolvency & Restructuring](#)
- [Professional Negligence](#)

### Private Client

- [Art](#)
- [Contentious Trusts](#)
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## Industry

### Professional Practices

### Private Wealth

### Owner Managed Businesses

### Media & Technology

### International

### Financial Institutions

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*Igor Kolomoisky (3) Alexander Yaroslavksy (4) Pavel Ovcharenko & Others* (2016) EWHC 2816 (Comm)).

- Advising trustees on the scope and reach of a US\$21bn worldwide without notice freezing injunction obtained in England by a European state-owned entity.
- Defending IOM professional trustees against the attempt by an alleged beneficiary to add them to ongoing High Court proceedings in England, and to recover from them £205m for alleged fraud, breach of trust, breach of fiduciary duties and/or negligence.
- Advising Jersey professional trustees on potential proceedings in England against the settlor of a trust in a long-running Jersey dispute.
- Defending an IOM Limited Partnership in the English High Court, the IOM High Court, the IOM Court of Appeal and the Privy Council against winding-up proceedings issued by a beneficiary of an employment benefit trust that holds an interest in the partnership.
- Defending trust entities from a £20m claim for fraudulent misrepresentation and unlawful means conspiracy (*NGM Sustainable Developments Ltd v Phillip Wallis, Lizzano Ltd, Cascina Ltd, Kevin Reardon, Hydro Properties Ltd, Hydro Property Holdings Ltd* [2015] EWHC 2089 (Ch)).
- Advising a European government state department on the recovery of assets alleged to have been fraudulently misappropriated from state pension schemes.
- Pursuing the recovery of monies invested in the development of transportation hybrid technology (*Nasser Kazeminy v Kamal Siddiqi & Ors* [2009] EWHC 3207 (Comm), [2010] EWHC 201 (Comm), [2012] EWCA Civ 416).
- Defending a claim for fraudulent misrepresentation and pursuing a stakeholder claim following the sale at auction of a 1954 Ferrari racing car at the Goodwood Festival of Speed.
- Advising on potential claims in respect of the authenticity of an Indian antiquity.
- Pursuing the payment of a commission following the sale of a drawing by a Renaissance master alleged not to be authentic.

## International

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