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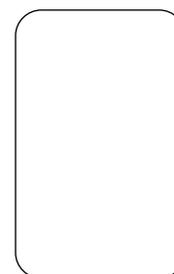
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INTRODUCTION

Who's Who Legal is delighted to publish *WWL: Asset Recovery 2022*. This report is the fruit of months of research. We have canvassed and analysed the opinions of law firm clients and asset recovery experts from around the world.

Our research has revealed 729 lawyers and experts from 83 jurisdictions who can truly be considered leaders in the field.

The names and contact details of all experts whose nominations are accepted by the head of research are listed without charge. It is impossible to buy entry into *WWL: Asset Recovery*. Specialists accepted for listing are invited, but not required, to supply a professional biography and photograph, which are published upon payment of a fee.

We hope that you find this report useful and informative. If you do, it is due to the hundreds of people who helped us in the research, and we would like to sign off by thanking them for their kindness, helpfulness and insight, which made it a pleasure to be part of this undertaking.

Due to the ongoing crisis in Ukraine, WWL is not listing individuals from firms based in Russia and Belarus in this report. Lawyers from Ukraine who were previously listed have had their rankings protected and continue to be featured.

Rupert Wilson

Head of research & analytics

LEGAL MARKETPLACE ANALYSIS

In this edition, WWL identifies over 600 of the world's foremost asset recovery lawyers. They have distinguished themselves with their experience and expertise in civil and criminal matters involving the tracing and recovery of assets.

METHODOLOGY

The Global Elite Thought Leaders are those individuals who received the highest number of nominations from peers, corporate counsel and other market sources this year. Our research has identified them as being truly outstanding practitioners and the very best in their field.

WWL does not list firms, only individual lawyers. The leading firms are those in each region whose listed practitioners received the most total nominations in our research. We highlight individuals at other firms who also scored very highly in our research.

EMEA (Excluding Offshore Jurisdictions)

Global Elite Thought Leaders

Stéphane Bonifassi

Bonifassi Avocats
Paris

Nicola Boulton

PCB Byrne
London

Richard Briggs

Hadef & Partners
Dubai

Michele Caratsch

Baldi & Caratsch
Zurich

Jane Colston

Brown Rudnick LLP
London

Jacques-Alexandre Genet

Archipel
Paris

Shankhnad Ghurburrun

GEROUDIS
Port Louis

Sandrine Giroud

Lalive
Geneva

Yves Klein

Monfrini Bitton Klein
Geneva

Bernd Klose

kkforensic
Friedrichsdorf

Bettina Knoetzl

KNOETZL
Vienna

Trevor Mascarenhas

PCB Byrne
London

Paul McGrath QC

Essex Court Chambers
London

Kate McMahon

Edmonds Marshall McMahon
London

Richard Millett QC

Essex Court Chambers
London

Babajide O Ogundipe

Sofunde, Osakwe, Ogundipe & Belgore
Lagos

Keith E Oliver

Peters & Peters Solicitors LLP
London

Tim Penny QC

Wilberforce Chambers
London

Steven Philippsohn

Asserson Law Offices
London

Ros Prince

Stephenson Harwood
London

Nick Ractliff

PCB Byrne
London

Anthony Riem

PCB Byrne
London

Sue Thackeray

Kingsley Napley LLP
London

Sonia Tolaney QC

One Essex Court
London

Kees van de Meent

FLORENT
Amsterdam

Mona Vaswani

Milbank LLP
London

LEADING FIRMS

PCB Byrne

Nicola Boulton sits among the world's foremost asset recovery lawyers, with market commentators describing her as "a truly phenomenal lawyer".

Ben Davies is lauded by peers as "an excellent asset recovery practitioner", and has built an impressive practice that spans high-value civil and criminal fraud issues.

Trevor Mascarenhas is a favourite among peers and clients in the asset recovery space, who say he is "a really fantastic, intellectual lawyer, with a great manner".

Nick Ractliff is an established fraud and banking dispute specialist, with peerless experience and expertise with freezing and disclosure orders, asset recovery and a range of civil fraud issues.

Anthony Riem is a highly acclaimed asset recovery specialist in the market, and comes recommended as "a brilliant lawyer for offshore litigation".

Elizabeth Seborg is a top-tier asset recovery practitioner, who comes recommended by sources as "a phenomenal lawyer in the space".

Natalie Todd is a respected name in the asset recovery market who earns appreciation as "a result-oriented lawyer".

Peters & Peters Solicitors

Sarah Gabriel is identified by peers as a standout name in the asset recovery market. Her expertise lies in civil fraud matters and internal investigations.

Hannah Laming enjoys a sterling reputation in the asset recovery space, with peers and clients recommending her work on business crime issues.

Keith Oliver maintains an impressive practice and a favourite among market commentators, who describe him as "a great lawyer in the market".

Michael O'Kane receives comprehensive endorsements for his asset recovery practice, which spans 25 years and includes experience prosecuting complex fraud and corruption cases.

Jonathan Tickner heads the commercial litigation and civil fraud group at the firm and is one of the market's most respected practitioners when it comes to asset recovery issues.

Jason Woodland is a highly acclaimed fraud specialist, with sources readily endorsing his work on fraud and asset tracing briefs.

Lalive

Sandrine Giroudis is singled out by commentators as a leading name in asset recovery practice globally, and is described as "a highly dependable practitioner in the space".

Matthias Gstoehl receives comprehensive recommendations for his asset recovery expertise, with sources confirming he is "one of the most distinguished experts in his field in Switzerland".

Marc Henzelin earns widespread praise for his practice from respondents, thanks to his peerless work on asset recovery and commercial litigation matters.

Simone Nadelhofer impresses peers with her white-collar crime, asset recovery and insolvency expertise, which she has built up over 20 years of practice.

Alexander Troller is lauded by sources as "a go-to Geneva lawyer" in the asset recovery space, who "leads a strong and talented team".

Greenberg Traurig

Claire Broadbelt is counted by peers among the finest practitioners in Europe, and is described as "brilliant practitioner" and "absolutely exceptional asset recovery lawyer".

Kathryn Garbett is "an excellent lawyer with fantastic client base", who impresses sources with her skill in civil fraud and commercial litigation proceedings before the UK's highest courts.

Martin Shobbrook receives impressive endorsements from respondents for his practice, which focuses on international civil fraud, criminal investigations and asset recovery issues.

Annabel Thomas is an acclaimed commercial litigator, with extensive experience and skill with civil fraud, asset tracing and regulatory matters.

Essex Court Chambers

Tim Akkouch QC is a distinguished silk at the UK Bar and is identified by peers as "one of the market leaders" in asset recovery practice.

Anna Dilnot QC draws widespread recommendations for her asset recovery expertise, with commentators endorsing her as "an absolutely exceptional silk".

Paul McGrath QC "wrote the book on civil fraud" and is widely considered a keystone of the asset recovery Bar.

Richard Millett QC is relied upon for his skill across issues in the banking and finance sector, and brings significant skill

and experience to asset recovery and insolvency matters.

Joe Smouha QC is a leading name for commercial litigation matters, and peers acknowledge that he is "probably the best trial lawyer in London".

James Willan QC is "a genius" young silk with an impressive practice that encompasses the full range of civil fraud and asset recovery issues.

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Adrian Beltrami QC is joint head of chambers, and lauded by market commentators as "an excellent practitioner" when it comes to multi-jurisdictional civil fraud and asset tracing issues.

Adam Kramer QC is appreciated by peers and clients as "a very intelligent and easy-to-work-with barrister" in the asset recovery space.

Michael Lazarus has established himself as a leading barrister when it comes to civil fraud, telecoms and banking matters. He brings over 30 years of experience to his clients' asset recovery briefs.

Ali Malek QC comes highly recommended by respondents for his asset recovery expertise, bringing a strong track record on civil fraud cases to his clients' matters.

Hodge Malek QC is described by peers and clients as "one of the leading lights in this area" and "definitely a go-to" for asset recovery issues.

Kingsley Napley

William Christopher receives impressive endorsements as "a sophisticated operator who is able to combine investigative and legal approaches to good effect".

Richard Foss is an outstanding lawyer in the space, whom an array of peers recommend for his work on civil fraud, asset recovery, insolvency and other commercial dispute issues.

Fiona Simpson is highlighted by market commentators as "a very experienced and strong colleague" in the asset recovery market.

Sue Thackeray "always sees the bigger picture, doesn't miss a trick and is extremely effective at seeing how to obtain the best solution", according to interviewees.

Mary Young is "a hands-on, super-efficient lawyer who manages litigation incredibly well" while "staying on top of all of the detail". "She has very good judgement, and drives the case forward very effectively," add commentators.

OTHER LEADING INDIVIDUALS

Austria

At KNOETZL, **Bettina Knoetzl** is “ready to go the extra mile to secure the positive result” and “is, of course, a clear asset recovery market-leader”.

Belgium

Emmanuel Roger France at HFW is identified by sources as a leading name in the Belgian market for fraud, asset recovery and other white-collar crime matters.

Cyprus

Andreas Erotocritou from A.G. Erotocritou is a favourite of peers and clients, who say he is a “go-to lawyer” who “delivers on time and budget”.

Marina Hadjisoteriou with Michael Kyprianou & Co is praised as “an exceptional lawyer” by market commentators. She focuses on asset recovery and commercial litigation proceedings.

Denmark

At Lundgrens, **Pernille Bigaard** is a leading light in Denmark’s restructuring and insolvency market, and has over 25 years of experience identifying and tracing assets in such cases.

England

Brown Rudnick **Jane Colston** sits among the finest asset recovery lawyers globally, with sources endorsing her as “a go-to litigator”.

At Edmonds Marshall McMahon, **Kate McMahon**, one of Europe’s stars in asset recovery matters, is “clearly one of the leading names” according to peers.

Tim Penny QC at Wilberforce Chambers receives considerable praise from respondents for his “incredibly meticulous” approach to matters and for being “very knowledgeable” regarding asset recovery matters.

Steven Philippsohn at Asserson Law Offices is pillar of the asset recovery market, with peers and clients saying “no matter the complexity of the project, we are always confident that Steven will deliver work of the highest calibre”.

Ros Prince at Stephenson Harwood is a specialist in fraud and asset recovery litigation proceedings, and is highly sought after for her experience with freezing and seizure orders.

Sonia Tolaney QC at One Essex Court is one of the Bar’s most revered names when it comes to civil fraud and injunctions issues.

France

Stéphane Bonifassi of Bonifassi Avocats is placed by peers among the finest asset recovery specialists in the French market, with sources endorsing him as “a market-leading lawyer”.

Jacques-Alexandre Genet at Archipel is known and appreciated by sources as “a superb strategist”. His expertise is found in international asset recovery and litigation matters.

Germany

Bernd Klose at kckforensic possesses “impressive expertise” in asset recovery cases and civil enforcement matters.

Ireland

McCann FitzGerald’s **Karyn Harty** is among Ireland’s leading asset recovery specialists, with peers readily endorsing her work in international tracing issues and disputes work.

Italy

Roberta Guaineri at Nctm Studio Legale is a pillar of the Italian corporate crime space, with over 30 years of trial experience in cases involving financial and credit crimes, as well as giving investigations advice.

Kenya

John Miles of JMiles&Co receives comprehensive recommendations from peers, thanks to his top-tier legal practice that focuses on fraud, asset recovery and other white-collar crime cases.

Mauritius

Shankhnad Ghurburrin of GEROUDIS has built a formidable legal practice spanning fraud and asset recovery matters, with peers lining up to recommend their work in the space.

Netherlands

At Florent, **Kees van de Meent** “approaches matters from the insolvency perspective, and is an expert at doing so”.

Cathalijne van der Plas at JahaeRaymakers is a top-tier asset recovery lawyer who “has a superb legal knowledge of the terrain of international judgement enforcement”.

Nigeria

Babajide Ogundipe at Sofunde Osakwe Ogundipe & Belgore is recognised by peers as “a great lawyer” in the asset recovery market.

Norway

Jon Skjørshammer with Kvale Advokatfirma is a standout in the Norwegian asset recovery space, with an impressive track record representing domestic and international clients on complex restructuring and bankruptcy proceedings.

Poland

At KW Kruk and Partners Law Firm, **Jarostaw Kruk** is singled out by commentators as a go-to name in Poland for white-collar crime, corruption and economic crime matters.

Serbia

Tomislav Šunjka at ŠunjkaLaw impresses peers and client alike thanks to his “intelligent, outgoing and well-prepared approach to handling the most complex litigation matters”.

Spain

Hector Sbert with Ecija is a “highly recommended lawyer” in the asset recovery space, say peers. He has over 20 years of experience representing domestic and international clients in complex tracing, fraud and insolvency proceedings.

Sweden

Finn Madsen at Madsen Lawfirm is a respected and highly rated lawyer with considerable experience and expertise in asset tracing and recovery matters.

Switzerland

Michele Caratsch at Baldi & Caratsch is a standout specialist in fraud, asset recovery and bankruptcy matters, with sources recommending him as “an excellent practitioner”.

At Bär & Karrer, **Anne Valérie Julen Berthod** has developed an impressive practice that spans a range of domestic and international white-collar crime matters, including asset recovery issues.

Aurélie Conrad Hari is described by market commentators as “a great lawyer” who is “very practical, quick and reliable” in approach.

At Monfrini Bitton Klein, **Enrico Monfrini** is a legend of the Swiss market, with over 40 years of experience with asset recovery, anti-corruption and a host of civil and criminal proceedings.

Yves Klein is a highly accomplished and respected name in the asset recovery space, with peers saying he is “unmissable in the Swiss market”.

Vincent Jeanneret with Schellenberg Wittmer is “one of the most experienced Geneva lawyers” and “an absolutely excellent practitioner in international insolvency cases”.

Ukraine

Dmytro Marchukov at Integrites enjoys a stellar reputation as an asset recovery lawyer, and comes recommended as “a smart and energetic lawyer who gets great results”.

United Arab Emirates

At Hadeff & Partners, **Richard Briggs** is a highly sought after commercial dispute specialist, with extensive expertise in the insurance, trade and maritime sectors.

Walid Azzam receives extensive endorsements from peers and clients alike, who confirm that he is “a very good and very user-friendly lawyer”.

OFFSHORE

Global Elite Thought Leaders

Stephen Baker
Baker & Partners
St Helier

Sam Dawson
Carey Olsen
George Town

Nicolette M Doherty
Nicolette M Doherty
St John’s

Mark J Forte
Conyers
Road Town, Tortola

Mark Goodman
Campbells
George Town

John Greenfield
Carey Olsen
St Peter Port

Martin S Kenney
Martin Kenney & Co
Road Town, Tortola

Siegbert Lampert
Lampert & Partner Attorneys at Law Ltd
Vaduz

Jonathan Wild
Callin Wild
Douglas

For the purposes of this editorial, the following jurisdictions are considered “offshore”: Bermuda, British Virgin Islands, Cayman Islands, Guernsey, Republic of Ireland, Isle of Man, Jersey, Luxembourg and Mauritius. This definition is to enable the grouping of multi-jurisdiction offshore law firms who would otherwise have to be covered across multiple geographical regions.

LEADING FIRMS

Ogier

Nicholas Burkill is an outstanding asset recovery specialist, with sources reporting that he is “a favourite on the islands” and “a great lawyer”.

Jennifer Fox is lauded as “a strong practitioner” by peers. Her practice spans fraud, asset tracing, restructuring and dispute resolution issues.

Marc Kish is global head of dispute resolution at the firm, and a celebrated name among peers when it comes to international restructuring and insolvency, fraud and asset tracing matters.

Rachael Reynolds QC is a distinguished silk, with enviable expertise and experience with fund disputes, restructuring and insolvency, fraud and asset tracing briefs.

Brian Lacy is a highly esteemed barrister in the offshore market, and a destination name for fraud, asset tracing and investigations expertise.

Baker & Partners

James Corbett QC is lauded as “a forceful advocate who brings a confident and

persuasive style to his advocacy” in asset recovery proceedings.

Stephen Baker is described by market commentators as a “top-notch name” in the asset recovery space, with over 30 years of experience in the field.

Impressed sources say of **William Redgrave**: “He gives his submissions a strong dose of realism and so seeks to persuade through demonstrating an awareness of where the judge is coming from”.

Simon Thomas is “great on his feet as an advocate” and is appreciated for giving “very pragmatic and solid, clear advice”.

Walkers

Sarah Brehaut distinguishes herself in contentious insolvency and regulatory disputes, with peers and clients readily endorsing her expertise with commercial disputes.

Shelley White receives extensive recommendations for her practice from peers, thanks to her impressive work on insolvency and fraud litigation as well as asset tracing matters.

Alison Ozanne is an internationally renowned dispute resolution specialist, and a leading name in Guernsey for all manner of complex litigation.

Nick Dunne has built a strong reputation handling international commercial fraud and asset recovery issues, with respondents readily recommending his work in the field.

Maples Group

James Eldridge is a standout name in the offshore market report peers, with enviable skill and experience handling corporate recovery, insolvency and commercial litigation proceedings.

Matthew Freeman is described by sources as “a powerhouse of knowledge” whose “hard work and killer instinct serves his clients well”.

Mac Imrie is a mainstay of the Cayman asset recovery space, with respondents readily endorsing his work on significant insolvency and commercial litigation issues.

Aristos Galatopoulos is appreciated as an “excellent practitioner” in the asset

recovery market. His practice focuses on cross-border financial services matters.

Caroline Moran is a well-regarded name in the Cayman Islands, with considerable experience handling cross-border insolvency and restructuring matters and financial services litigation.

Harney Westwood & Riegels

Jonathan Addo enjoys extensive endorsement from commentators, who say he is "a strong advocate" who is "well loved by BVI judges".

Peter Ferrer is "hugely commercial and also brings with him wide experience" say

sources, who add, "He is one of my favourite people to instruct."

Nick Hoffman heads the litigation, insolvency and restructuring group in the Caymans, and is relied upon for his impressive command of fraud and financial services litigation proceedings.

Andrew Thorp is appreciated by sources as a practitioner who "brings with him unparalleled experience" to asset recovery matters.

Mourant Ozannes

Shane Donovan enjoys a stellar reputation in the asset recovery market, with sources saying he is "a quiet but deadly assassin" in litigation.

Nicholas Fox gains widespread recommendations for his practice from peers, thanks to his fantastic work on fraud, asset tracing and insolvency briefs.

Christopher Harlowe is a highly accomplished insolvency specialist with over 30 years of experience with contentious and non-contentious matters. **Bruce Lincoln** is a favourite among peers and clients, who confirm that he is "an absolutely fantastic lawyer who gives such clear advice".

OTHER LEADING INDIVIDUALS

Antigua

Independent practitioner **Nicolette Doherty** is a key name in Antigua for asset recovery matters, with sources endorsing her as "an excellent lawyer".

Bahamas

Brian Simms QC with Lennox Paton is a renowned silk, with extensive experience and expertise in restructuring and insolvency issues.

Peter Maynard at Peter D Maynard Counsel & Attorneys is lauded by peers as "a very responsive and knowledgeable lawyer" and "the leader on the island".

British Virgin Islands

Arabella di Iorio of Agon Litigation is "the grand dame of offshore insolvency and contentious litigation" who has "been there, done that, written the book".

Andrew Willins with Appleby gains impressive recommendations, with peers reporting he "is a heavyweight in this sector with deep experience".

At Conyers **Tameka Davis** is a standout name in the offshore asset recovery market, and is described as "a tenacious, cool, calm and collected lawyer".

Mark Forte receives considerable praise for his asset recovery work, with respondents describing him as "a very good practitioner who offers excellent service".

Malcolm Arthurs of Martin Kenney & Co is known among commentators as a go-to for asset recovery briefs, and is appreciated for being "easy to work with" and having "significant regional experience".

Martin Kenney is "globally renowned as an asset recovery specialist" and is "in a different class in terms of strategy and global reach".

Dan Wise with O'Neal Webster is lauded by sources as "a very bright practitioner who works well with others and is understated in approach".

Cayman Islands

At Campbells, **Guy Manning** has earned himself a superb reputation for asset recovery work, and is recognised by peers as "a leading practitioner in the field".

Sam Dawson at Carey Olsen comes highly recommended by market commentators thanks to his precise and impressive work on contentious and noncontentious restructuring and insolvency issues.

Guernsey, Channel Islands

Jon Barclay with Bedell Cristin receives a plethora of endorsements from respondents, who rate highly his skill with cross-border enforcement and asset recovery matters.

John Greenfield of Carey Olsen is a respected name when it comes to asset recovery lawyers, having undertaken substantial asset tracing and commercial litigation proceedings.

Isle of Man

Callin Wild's **Jonathan Wild** distinguishes himself in the market as "an outstanding practitioner", especially in fraud and other financial crime matters.

Jersey

James Gleeson with Dickinson Gleeson receives extensive recommendations as a

practitioner who delivers "depth and strength of legal analysis and response to the issues raised in a very short timescale".

James Dickinson at Dickinson Gleeson has "an extraordinary work ethic" and "an excellent legal mind, which relishes exploring complex or unusual arguments and finding ways to get around the trickiest of obstacles".

David Wilson from Oben Law has "a calm, measured and commercial approach to litigation, and is brilliant at reading and recognising the personalities and practical considerations involved for all sides".

Liechtenstein

Siegbert Lampert at Lampert & Partner Attorneys at Law is highly regarded by market commentators, who endorse his impressive work in the asset recovery space.

Luxembourg

François Kremer of Arendt & Medernach is a favourite among peers and clients in the asset recovery market who praise him as "a superb lawyer".

Founding partner with Etude Max Mailliet **Max Mailliet** is a top-tier lawyer who is sought after by clients for his international fraud, asset tracing and white-collar crime expertise.

Monaco

Donald Manasse at Donald Manasse Law Offices has "experience that affords him an unusually good insight into the kinds of problems which affect international clients and how to serve those needs", report knowledgeable interviewees.

NORTH AMERICA

Global Elite Thought Leaders

Lincoln Caylor

Bennett Jones LLP
Toronto

Edward H Davis Jr

Sequor Law
Miami

Annette C Escobar

ACE Law Firm
Coral Gables

Douglas Kellner

Kellner Herlihy Getty & Friedman LLP
New York

Michael S Kim

Kobre & Kim
New York

Arnoldo B Lacayo

Sequor Law
Miami

Matthew R Lindsay QC

Rose LLP
Calgary

Oren J Warshavsky

BakerHostetler LLP
New York

Joseph J Wielebinski

Winstead PC
Dallas

LEADING FIRMS

Kobre & Kim

Michael Kim sits among the very best asset recovery lawyers in the US market. His practice is geared towards fraud and insolvency matters that encompass asset recovery and investigations elements.

Jef Klazen is described by market commentators as "a very knowledgeable lawyer", with impressive experience in international asset recovery strategies.

Robin Rathmell is a favourite among clients and peers alike, who say he is "an extremely effective operator, a pleasure to work with and a formidable opponent".

Carrie Tendler is a respected name in the US market and has built a formidable and practice advising clients on cross-border asset recovery and enforcements issues.

Bennett Jones

Lincoln Caylor is counted among the leading asset recovery lawyers in the US by peers, especially when it comes to international asset tracing, investigations and fraud matters.

Munaf Mohamed QC comes highly recommended as a financial crimes specialist, given his excellent track record with fraud-related matters across a range of sectors.

Jim Patterson earns plaudits for his impressive track record in asset recovery cases, thanks to his considerable skill and experience with complex recovery issues.

OTHER LEADING INDIVIDUALS

Canada

At Rose, **Matthew Lindsay QC** is one of Canada's foremost asset recovery specialists, and is praised for his deft handling of complex fraud proceedings in US and Canadian federal courts.

USA

Annette Escobar with ACE Law Firm sits among the leading US asset recovery lawyers, and achieves widespread applause from peers and clients for her work in the space.

At BakerHostetler, **Gonzalo Zeballos** has a sterling reputation when it comes to cross-border investigations, especially in fraud and asset tracing cases.

Oren Warshavsky is held in high esteem by peers, who readily recommend his work on international, high-value fraud and asset recovery matters.

Warren Gluck with Holland & Knight is a respected name in the US asset recovery market and is recognised by peers as "a subject matter expert".

Christine Kang at Hughes Hubbard & Reed has built an outstanding practice that encompasses anti-bribery investigations, international litigation proceedings and sanctions issues across the UK, US and China.

Douglas Kellner from Kellner Herlihy Getty & Friedman is a highly sought-after practitioner with over 40 years of experience across international commercial litigation and asset recovery matters.

Michael Jason Lee with Law Offices of Michael Jason Lee is described by sources as "a top-notch asset recovery lawyer in the market". He has over 20 years of experience

with civil litigation and recovery matters involving cryptocurrency, internet gambling and online payment processing.

Arnoldo Lacayo at Sequor Law enjoys extensive acclaim from peers and clients for his practice, which is geared towards financial fraud, asset recovery and insolvency matters.

Edward Davis Jr is a legend of the US market who comes recommended by commentators as "one of the best US lawyers on asset recovery".

Joseph Wielebinski at Winstead PC is a distinguished white-collar crime specialist with over 30 years of experience with fraud, money laundering and theft issues.

LATIN AMERICA

Global Elite Thought Leaders

Ashanti Arthurs Martin
Balderamos Arthurs LLP
 Belize City

Rodrigo Callejas A
Carrillo y Asociados
 Guatemala City

Henrique Forssell
Duarte Forssell Advogados
 São Paulo

Antenor Madruga
FeldensMadruga
 Brasília

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MDU Legal
 Panama

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Pignataro Abogados
 San José

Bernardo Porras
Hughes & Hughes
 Montevideo

Aimee Prieto
Prieto Cabrera & Asociados SRL
 Santo Domingo

LEADING FIRMS

Carrillo & Asociados

Rodrigo Callejas A sits among the finest asset recovery lawyers in the Latin American market and is “highly recommended” by peers in the space.

Emanuel Callejas A receives impressive endorsements for his work in the detection and investigation of fraud as well as for advising on compliance matters.

Alfonso Carrillo M is recognised by peers as a standout name in the region for asset recovery matters. His practice spans a range of white-collar crime issues, including fraud and corruption, as well as insolvency issues.

OTHER LEADING INDIVIDUALS

Argentina

At Durrieu Abogados, **Justo Lo Prete** is identified by market commentators as a leading name for asset recovery issues in Argentina. He has over 20 years of experience with criminal law issues.

Brazil

Henrique Forssell at Duarte Forssell Advogados is a highly regarded practitioner in Brazil, with peers and clients readily recommending his work on asset recovery and fraud matters in the finance and banking sectors.

At FeldensMadruga, **Antenor Madruga** is a standout name in the Brazilian asset recovery market who gains impressive recommendations for his expertise in administrative and criminal law, including asset recovery briefs.

Colombia

At Asteri Abogados, **Luis-Alfredo Barragán Arango** is a highly sought-after litigator in Colombia. He has over 30 years of experience with cross-border proceedings, arbitrations and asset recovery operations.

Costa Rica

Alejandro Pignataro of Pignataro Abogados enjoys a fantastic reputation for his corporate law expertise. He brings over 20 years of experience to disputes with an asset recovery dimension.

Dominican Republic

At Prieto Cabrera & Asociados, **Aimee Prieto** receives comprehensive recommendations for her practice. She is described as “a very well-organised, intelligent and competent lawyer”.

Panama

At MDU Legal, **David Mizrachi Fidanque** is a favourite among peers and clients, who laud him as “a very good lawyer” who is “reliable and effective”.

Uruguay

Bernardo Porras at Hughes & Hughes is praised by market commentators as “a brilliant practitioner”. His practice focuses on the finance sector in particular.

Venezuela

At Brando & Asociados, **Mario Andrés Brando Mayorca** receives considerable recommendations for his asset recovery practice from peers across the region.

ASIA-PACIFIC

Global Elite Thought Leaders

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John Mitchell
Arnold Bloch Leibler
 Sydney

Jeff Lane
Tanner De Witt
 Hong Kong

Danny Ong
Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP
 Singapore

Vicky Lord
Harney Westwood & Riegels
 Shanghai

Colette Wilkins QC
Walkers
 Hong Kong

LEADING FIRMS

Tanner De Witt Solicitors

Jeff Lane is counted among the finest lawyers in the region in this practice area by peers, who note that he “does a lot of heavyweight asset recovery work”.

Robin Darton is identified by commentators as a top-tier restructuring and insolvency specialist, who also brings over 20 years of

experience with fraud and asset tracing issues to his clients’ briefs.

Ian De Witt is a star of the Hong Kong market. He is well versed in advising multi-nationals, shareholders and high-net worth individuals on a range of asset recovery, restructuring and insolvency issues.

Pamela Mak heads the China practice group at the firm and is a highly respected litigator when it comes to cross-border shareholder disputes, regulatory issues and investigations requiring asset recovery expertise.

OTHER LEADING INDIVIDUALS

Australia

Arnold Bloch Leibler’s **John Mitchell** is an outstanding asset recovery practitioner, who peers and clients endorse as “an excellent, hands-on and strategic lawyer”.

Leon Zwier with Arnold Bloch Leibler is highly sought after by clients for his skill with litigation and recovery issues, as well as his restructuring and insolvency expertise.

Mainland China

Christine Kang at JunHe enjoys a sterling reputation among peers for her practice, which encompasses anti-bribery investigations, corporate compliance and sanctions matters.

Vicky Lord of Harney Westwood & Riegels is “great for offshore work”, say sources, who

describe her as “brilliant at getting the job done”.

Hong Kong

Ian Mann at Harney Westwood & Riegels is a leading name in the Hong Kong asset recovery space, particularly when it comes to offshore matters.

Noel Campbell with HFW receives extensive acclaim from respondents, who describe him as “an experienced practitioner” and “a true specialist in the field”.

Colette Wilkins QC at Walkers is a star of the asset recovery market, with peers recognising her as an “excellent lawyer”. She recently moved to Hong Kong from the Cayman Islands.

India

Founder of Aarna Law **Shreyas Jayasimha** gains impressive recommendations from peers in the region, who respect his skill and experience with litigation proceedings involving commercial, public and constitutional law and an asset recovery dimension.

Singapore

At Rajah & Tann Singapore, **Danny Ong** “is a leading specialist in asset recovery matters and in seeking interim relief to facilitate in recoveries in various jurisdictions”.

WongPartnership’s **Wendy Lin** enjoys acclaim from market commentators for her practice, which encompasses the litigation of complex fraud and asset recovery issues.

Martin Kenney & Co., Solicitors (MKS)

OVERVIEW

Martin Kenney & Co., Solicitors (MKS) is a world-leading investigative and asset recovery legal practice based in the BVI, focused on multi-jurisdictional fraud and complex insolvency cases. Martin Kenney is rated as a Global Elite Thought Leader by Who's Who Legal, is a co-founder of ICC FraudNet and a recipient of the coveted Cressey Award for lifetime achievement from the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE). He is a Visiting Professor at the University of Central Lancashire's School of Justice.

MAIN AREAS OF PRACTICE

- Asset Recovery
- Complex Commercial Litigation & Arbitration
- International Insolvency
- Interim Disclosure & Freezing Orders
- International, Regional & Caribbean Investigations
- High Value Divorce Proceedings

CLIENTS

General Motors, Nissan Motor Co., Stanford International Bank (in liquidation), Tethyan and others.

INTERNATIONAL WORK

Traditional Asset Recovery: Most complex fraud cases are now transnational in nature, with fraudsters seeking to launder the proceeds of their deception through numerous bank accounts held by different corporate vehicles, linked in turn to bogus transactions and the purchase of assets. In response, MKS's team of lawyers and investigators is able to mount asset recovery campaigns worldwide to "follow the money", returning wealth to its rightful owners. Where necessary, the firm is assisted by its international sister network of asset recovery lawyers, ICC FraudNet, giving it a truly global reach.

Non-Traditional Value Recovery: When tracing strands of misappropriated value, MKS seeks to identify "enablers of fraud" such as banks, law and accounting firms, and company administrators. The firm then seeks to measure their degree of possible legal responsibility for a client's loss by fraud. MKS regularly pursues actions for damages against deep-pocketed facilitators of fraud, as an alternative strategy to achieve recovery on the basis of ancillary theories of liability such as negligence, dishonest assistance, knowing receipt and civil conspiracy.

Complex Commercial Litigation & Arbitration: MKS is experienced in bringing complex proceedings before the BVI Commercial Court, as well as other courts in the Eastern Caribbean, and before Arbitral Tribunals.

International Insolvency: Many jurisdictions have insolvency legislation which assists the effective investigation of the affairs of those who previously ran insolvent companies. The recovery of assets improperly removed from those companies in the run-up to insolvency is also often possible. MKS has a particular expertise in such situations, in part deriving from their representation of the liquidators of Stanford International Bank for many years.

Interim Disclosure & Freezing Orders: A key component of the practice's work is the use of interim disclosure and freezing orders as part of substantive litigation it may run, or ancillary to substantive litigation elsewhere. The BVI and the wider Eastern Caribbean, in common with most English-based jurisdictions, has a wide variety of interim remedies available for effective asset recovery. It is very often both cost effective and vital to obtain such orders – if necessary, including sealing and gagging components – as part of the buildup to substantive litigation.

International, Regional and Caribbean Investigations: The firm's Investigation Unit (IU) boasts two investigative wings, one based in the BVI and another in the UK. The unit specialises in the taking of complex witness statements and affidavits, a process that includes the recording, management and presentation of any associated exhibits. It specialises in the production of complex reports that form the foundation of prospective litigation processes, for the use of asset recovery lawyers across the globe. The team has extensive experience of utilising various surveillance techniques to supplement the evidence gathering process. The IU is also well connected throughout the Caribbean region.

High-Value Divorce Proceedings: On numerous occasions MKS has obtained interim orders in aid of divorce proceedings onshore, normally focused upon attributing beneficial ownership of an offshore vehicle into which an asset of significant value has been vested. Similarly, it has also obtained orders which have assisted in proving that the settlor of a trust vehicle has not in fact relinquished control of that vehicle, and therefore the assets vested in the trust are available to be distributed within the matrimonial estate.

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PROFILES

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Nominees have been selected based on comprehensive, independent survey work with both general counsel and private practitioners worldwide.

Only specialists who have met independent international research criteria are listed.

Austria



Bettina Knoetzl
KNOETZL

Bettina Knoetzl is a founding partner at KNOETZL, a leading litigation and dispute resolution law firm, with a groundbreaking focus on trial work in civil and criminal courts and arbitral tribunals, business crime, compliance and corporate crisis management.

Bettina Knoetzl has 25 years' experience in complex national and international disputes, and is currently and uniformly ranked as one of the leading litigation, dispute resolution and white-collar crime lawyers in Austria.

Bettina specialises in international and commercial litigation, focusing on defence of liability claims, especially for international pharmaceutical clients and other life sciences and significant healthcare providers, corporations, the real estate sector and in banking and finance, including financial derivatives. She has successfully defended clients in class action lawsuits, including one of Austria's largest civil cases, as well as in several collective actions against pharmaceutical companies and investor clients in well-known corporate and shareholder disputes. Bettina Knoetzl also provides legal counsel to significant government institutions. With various industries subjected to digital transformation, Bettina has successfully steered notable clients in social media and online sales through high-profile data protection disputes.

Bettina Knoetzl is a past co-chair of the litigation committee of the International Bar Association; the president of Transparency International – Austrian chapter; the exclusive Austrian representative of ICC FraudNet; and member of the advisory board of the ZBP Career Centre at Vienna University of Economics and Business. She teaches litigation and dispute resolution, including mediation, at the Austrian Lawyers' Academy and she is ranked in the top tier in litigation and white-collar crime by leading international directories, including *Chambers and Partners*. She is currently recognised as a Thought Leader by *Who's Who Legal* in litigation and asset recovery and was named Lawyer of the Year in asset recovery at the 2017 *Who's Who Legal Awards*.

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Peers and clients say: *"Bettina is always ready to go the extra mile to secure a positive result"*
"She is, of course, a clear market-leader"
"I highly rate her commercial and responsive practice"

Bahamas



Tara Archer-Glasgow
Higgs & Johnson

Tara Archer-Glasgow is a highly experienced dispute resolution lawyer with over 20 years of experience in all aspects of commercial litigation including banking and compliance, employment, company law, admiralty law and IP litigation. Tara is an active partner in the firm of Higgs & Johnson where she heads its Litigation and Intellectual Property practices. She is also the supervising partner of the Asset Recovery Unit and co-chair of the marketing and business development committee of the Firm.

Tara has appeared as counsel in many important cases in the Supreme Court and the Court of Appeal in the Commonwealth of the Bahamas; and has appeared before the Privy Council in England. She provides legal advice to individuals, major financial service providers and global corporations regarding multi-jurisdictional litigation, shareholder disputes, fraud, asset-tracing and internal operations. She has assisted ultra high net worth clients in the tracing and recovery of millions of dollars.

Tara is recognised as "an experienced, well-regarded and accomplished litigator" in *Chambers Global* and listed as a "leading individual" by *The Legal 500: Caribbean* who also noted that she 'provides advice that is sound, well thought out and grounded in the law'. Clients speak highly of Tara, and according to the *Client Choice Awards*, she provides "accurate, in-depth and well-researched feedback."



Christopher Jenkins
Lennox Paton

Tara is actively involved with the International Bar Association (IBA) and The Bahamas Bar Association (BBA), serving as Co-Chair of the IBA's poverty and social development committee and as a member of the BBA's Ethics Committee. She is a former chair of the IBA consumer litigation committee and a former law lecturer at the University of the Bahamas. Tara is often invited as a speaker to share her expertise at international and local conferences, and to provide motivational talks to young people, particularly young women, in the community.

Christopher is a partner in Lennox Paton's litigation and dispute resolution, and insolvency and restructuring groups.

Christopher has come to be regarded as one of the best commercial advocates in The Bahamas. His work covers the full spectrum of commercial practice, with an emphasis on property litigation, mortgage remedies, insolvency advice and representation, asset recovery and shareholder disputes.

He regularly appears at Supreme Court and Court of Appeal level and is accustomed to working alongside UK and US-based legal, insolvency and accounting teams in cross-border matters.

Christopher represents a variety of clients ranging from beneficiaries of trusts and estates and judicial appointees such as judicial trustees, managers, appointers and receivers, to institutional clients including accountancy firms, banks and trust companies.

He is a popular choice for high-value commercial litigation and fellow practitioners agree that he is one of the leading lawyers in the market. Chambers Global note him as "a very pragmatic individual who thinks outside the box and finds resolutions."

Christopher trained and practiced as a litigator for a top 15 solicitors London firm before relocating to the Bahamas. He was called to the Bahamas Bar in 2005 and became a partner at Lennox Paton in 2011.

Christopher is a member of INSOL and the Bahamas Bar Association.

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Peers and clients say: "Tara quickly and accurately provides counsel and action on legal matters"
"Her work is thorough and the turnaround is quick"
"She is simply exceptional!"

Peers and clients say: "Mr Jenkins is a very skilled lawyer"
"Chris has the intellectual ability to promptly identify the legal point that needs to be addressed"
"We were impressed by every aspect of his practice"



Sophia Rolle-Kapousouzoglou
Lennox Paton

Sophia Rolle-Kapousouzoglou is a partner in Lennox Paton's litigation and dispute resolution, and insolvency and restructuring groups.

Sophia handles a wide range of cases including complex commercial litigation, insolvency, disclosure and asset tracing applications. She appears regularly as lead counsel before the Bahamian Supreme Court and Court of Appeal.

With a growing reputation in the field of insolvency litigation, Sophia has been described by *Chambers Global* as "excellent," "practical," and "meticulous." She is a strong performer in contentious insolvency proceedings, and also wields great skill in other commercial disputes. She impresses sources with her industrious approach to the work she takes on, with *The Legal 500 Caribbean* (2020) noting "Sophia does an excellent job; she is highly recommended for being extremely professional, efficient and experienced. Working with Sophia is like working with some of the top firms in London."

Sophia represents clients in multi-jurisdictional matters and has acted in several prominent cross-border insolvency cases. She is also experienced in shareholder and company disputes and trust litigation. Her overall practice areas include advising clients with respect to contractual disputes; property disputes; fraud and asset tracing; *Norwich Pharmacal* applications; and applications for injunctions and other interlocutory relief.

Sophia is a fellow of INSOL International and a founding board member of RISA (Bahamas). She has contributed numerous articles to leading publications; has authored several chapters; and is regularly called upon to speak at leading international conferences, including INSOL, ABA, ABI and the AIJA, with respect to Bahamian law.

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Peers and clients say: "Sophia has an excellent intellect"
"She has the ability to respond quickly and thoroughly"
"Sophia is a delight to work with"

Bahamas



Brian C Simms QC
Lennox Paton

Brian Simms QC is senior partner at Lennox Paton and is head of the firm’s litigation and dispute resolution, and insolvency and restructuring groups.

Brian is one the Bahamas’ most highly regarded litigators, instructed in the most substantial Bahamian and international offshore cases. He has vast experience in the Supreme Court and Court of Appeal, in addition to having appeared several times in the Privy Council.

His practice covers commercial litigation, trust disputes, insolvency, asset recovery and complex fraud cases. He has extensive experience in running offshore cases involving several jurisdictions and has established himself as a popular choice for global companies encountering disputes in the Bahamas. He is also often called upon to form part of a team of international lawyers from onshore and offshore jurisdictions.

He is extremely popular among clients, who describe him as a “top offshore silk” and “an incredibly strong lawyer”. He is also highly respected by peers, who say he is “exceptionally smart and well informed”, as well as “resilient and thoughtful”, with an “established career”.

Brian attended McGill University and Exeter University. He is a member of the Bahamas Bar Association and INSOL; a former member of the Bar Council; former chair of the Bar and Bench Committee; an overseas member of the English Chancery Bar Association; and an honorary fellow of the Institute for International Legal Studies. He has served on the Bahamas Constitutional Review Commission and was acting judge of the Bahamas Supreme Court in 2015.

Brian is regularly called upon to speak at international conferences with respect to Bahamian law.

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Peers and clients say: “Brian is simply among the best in the jurisdiction”
“Mr Simms QC is a very good advocate”
“I highly recommended him for asset recovery”

British Virgin Islands



Malcolm M. Arthurs
Martin Kenney & Co (MKS)

A native of Kingston, Jamaica, Malcolm holds an undergraduate degree in English and a Law degree from the University of the West Indies. He obtained a Certificate of Legal Education from the Norman Manley Law School.

Malcolm has 16 years’ post-qualification experience and started his practice in Jamaica doing general commercial litigation at a leading firm. Upon moving to the British Virgin Islands in 2006, his practice shifted to cross-border insolvency litigation and fraud and asset recovery.

Since joining Martin Kenney & Co (MKS) in 2010, he has been involved in a number of significant multi-jurisdictional cases in jurisdictions such as Cyprus, Lichtenstein, Switzerland, Slovakia, Russia, Ukraine, Brazil, Cayman, Belize, Dominica and Antigua. He acts as lead advocate on MKS’s litigation team for the joint liquidators of Stanford International Bank.

Malcolm is admitted to practice in Jamaica, the British Virgin Islands, St Vincent and the Grenadines, Dominica, Antigua, St. Kitts and Nevis and most recently Belize.

In 2019 and 2021 Who’s Who Legal named Malcolm a recommended global leader in asset recovery, as well as a 2021 thought leader in asset recovery by *Global Investigations Review*.

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Peers and clients say: “Malcolm has significant regional experience which is incredibly helpful”
“He is an excellent advocate”
“Malcolm is a pleasant asset recovery practitioner to work with”



Andrew Blackburn
Martin Kenney & Co (MKS)

Andrew is an independent consultant working with Martin Kenney & Co (MKS).

He has over 20 years’ experience as a commercial litigator and for over 15 years has specialised in all aspects of contentious fraud, asset recovery and cross border insolvency claims.

Andrew has acted in many complex multi-jurisdictional commercial disputes, including acting for the joint liquidators of Stanford International Bank and the Trustee of Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC.

Andrew has also been recognised by Who’s Who Legal as a leading fraud and asset recovery lawyer.

He was admitted to practice as a solicitor in England and Wales in 2000. He was also admitted to practice as a solicitor in the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court, British Virgin Islands (2007) and St Vincent and the Grenadines (2010).

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Peers and clients say: “Andrew has tremendous experience in asset recovery”
“He not only stays constantly ahead of the case, he also has a knack for understanding what the clients want”

Canada • Alberta



Martin S Kenney
Martin Kenney & Co (MKS)

Martin Kenney is the managing partner of Martin Kenney & Co, Solicitors (MKS) in the British Virgin Islands (BVI). The firm's asset recovery work lies at the intersection of cross-border insolvency, creditors' rights and complex commercial litigation. *WIRED* magazine has styled the firm as among "the world's sharpest fraudbusters".

Leading a team of 15 lawyers, investigators and forensic accountants, Martin is regarded as a groundbreaker in the use of pre-emptive remedies, multidisciplinary teams and professional litigation funding in response to global economic crime, to uproot bank secrets and freeze hidden assets in multiple jurisdictions. He is a practising solicitor-advocate of the courts of England and Wales and the BVI, a non-practising barrister and solicitor of British Columbia, and a licensed foreign legal consultant in the state of New York.

Martin is the BVI member of ICC FraudNet, a specialist international network of 86 leading fraud and asset recovery lawyers from 73 countries, which is administered by the commercial crime services division of the International Chamber of Commerce.

OffshoreAlert of Miami said: "Martin Kenney is perhaps the best-known fraud and asset recovery attorney in the world, having worked on a number of high-profile international cases." In 2014, Martin was presented with the Cressey Award for lifetime achievement by the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (ACFE), the world's largest anti-fraud organisation with 85,000 members across 160 countries.

Martin has been featured as one of *Who's Who Legal's* Global Elite Thought Leaders since 2018 and is a Visiting Professor at the University of Central Lancashire (UCLan)'s School of Justice in the UK.

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Peers and clients say: "Martin is the gold standard in BVI asset recovery"
"Mr Kenney is a globally renowned asset recovery specialist"
"He is in a different class in terms of strategy and global reach"



Dan Wise
O'Neal Webster

Dan Wise is a highly experienced trans-national asset recovery and insolvency lawyer. Dan trained and practised in the City of London from 1992 until 2005 when he moved to the BVI with a start up specialist asset recovery law firm. At that firm Dan rose to be its Head of Litigation. Dan joined O'Neal Webster in 2019, where he has conducted a range of complex commercial litigation, arbitration and insolvency matters.

Highlights have included what was probably the first fully contested arbitration at the BVI Arbitration Centre, input into a complex restructuring of a Colombian asset finance structure, numerous injunctions, acting for a claimant in a contentious Ukrainian/UAE oppression remedy claim; representing a receiver appointed to assist in the enforcement of a multi-billion dollar arbitral award against a Sovereign State, and to challenge the enforcement of a US\$100m PRC Arbitral award in the BVI. Recently Dan has provided important strategic input to a client seeking to make a recovery of stolen crypto assets. This involved proceedings and legal advice in Singapore, Cayman and England. Dan frequently appears as an advocate before the Commercial Court. He has also acted, with local counsel, in many other Eastern Caribbean jurisdictions, including Antigua, St Kitts, St Vincent and the Grenadines, and Monserrat. Dan is a past First Vice President of the BVI Bar Association and sits on the BVI Arbitration Group. He served on an ad hoc committee to promote civil asset forfeiture in the BVI, having led previous efforts to introduce civil asset forfeiture legislation in the BVI. He has good links with the London Bar and is able to call upon specialist London counsel when a matter merits that input. As Dan's professional experience in the BVI has increased he is also often able to provide advice in the resolution of complex commercial and regulatory issues involving BVI companies.

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Peers and clients say: "Dan is an intelligent asset recovery practitioner"
"Mr Wise works well with others"
"A go-to in the market"



Matthew R Lindsay QC
Rose LLP

Matt is a Partner with 30 years' experience representing clients in commercial disputes across Canada involving oil and gas, construction, shareholder's rights and the tracing and recovery of proceeds of fraud. He was the firm's Managing Partner from 2013 to 2019 and was formerly Calgary Managing Partner and member of the National Management Committee of one of Canada's largest national law firms.

Matt is the former Executive Director of ICC FraudNet, a global network of asset recovery legal specialists organized under the International Chamber of Commerce's Commercial Crime Services Secretariat in London.

Matt has appeared before all trial and appellate courts across Western Canada, the Federal Court of Canada and in U.S. State and Federal Courts. He also has appeared as counsel in international and domestic arbitrations and as an expert witness in Canadian law.

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"Matthew possesses strong interpersonal skills"
"He is very well-respected"

Canada • British Columbia



Christopher J Ramsay
Clark Wilson LLP

Chris Ramsay is one of the leading fraud and asset recovery lawyers in western Canada. He is the chair of the insolvency and restructuring and fraud and asset recovery groups at the law firm of Clark Wilson LLP in Vancouver, British Columbia. Chris has 25 years of experience in the areas of commercial fraud and insolvency litigation. He represents diverse stakeholders in contentious insolvency and fraud matters, including acting for corporations, creditors, financial institutions, investors and insolvency professionals.

Chris has been retained as counsel in many large international complex fraud cases that have a connection with Canada. Specifically, he has extensive experience in the investigation of fraud, the tracing and recovering of proceeds of fraud world-wide, and implementing a recovery strategy retaining foreign lawyers, forensic accountants and other experts. He is a member of FraudNet, the world's leading asset recovery legal network operating under the auspices of the commercial crime services of the International Chambers of Commerce (ICC). Chris has regularly presented in the area of fraud and insolvency and is a leading expert in Canada in the area of Ponzi schemes and investor recovery. Chris has practiced law in British Columbia for 23 years but started his legal career as a barrister in London, England, having been called to the Bar of England and Wales in 1990. He was called to the Bar of British Columbia in 1996.

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Peers and clients say: "He is a deft hand at tracing and recovering assets internationally"
"Chris has vast experience in fraud, insolvency and asset recovery"

Costa Rica



Alejandro Pignataro
Pignataro Abogados

Alejandro Pignataro (LLM in American law with a concentration in international business practice from Boston University, 2003) is a partner at Pignataro Abogados (Costa Rica), a boutique corporate law firm committed to providing top-level legal advice to a select group of corporate and individual clients.

Alejandro has over 20 years of experience advising foreign and national corporations, financial institutions and individuals with their business dealings in Costa Rica.

Alejandro's practice focuses mainly on corporate M&A and asset tracing and recovery.

As a corporate M&A lawyer, Alejandro advises mainly multinational corporations doing business in the Latin America and Caribbean Basin region, serving as their lead counsel, coordinating with their local counsel in each jurisdiction where they do business, via a strong network of law firms.

Mr Pignataro also frequently serves as local counsel to foreign receiverships, liquidators, government agencies and private victims, in asset tracing and recovery cases in several jurisdictions. In such matters, Alejandro directs the domestic legal proceedings, interfacing with the enforcement agencies involved. Among the most commonly executed tasks in these matters, Mr Pignataro leads local investigative efforts, gathers and secures evidence, and locates and seizes assets.

Alejandro has been the Costa Rican member for ICC Fraudnet, the world's leading asset tracing and recovery network as per *Chambers and Partners*, for 10 years, and he has participated as a host and a panelist on International asset tracing and recovery conferences and events. Mr Pignataro has also been recognised by *Who's Who Legal* in asset recovery and litigation for several consecutive years.

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Peers and clients say: "Alejandro is an outstanding asset recovery lawyer"
"He is a highly skilled professional"
"Mr Pignataro is a top-notch name in the field"

Cyprus



Stavros Pavlou
Patrikios Pavlou & Associates LLC

Stavros Pavlou is the Senior and Managing Partner of Patrikios Pavlou & Associates LLC. He is an extensively experienced litigator and arbitrator, regularly praised as one of the top litigators in Cyprus, with an impressive portfolio of representing major international organizations, groups of companies, banks and high-net-worth individuals in complex commercial and other multijurisdictional disputes, including proceedings regarding asset tracing and recovery, fraud, trust litigation and civil enforcement. Stavros represents shareholders in internal company disputes, such as derivative actions for oppression of minority shareholders, and he has issued, defended or opposed numerous local and worldwide interlocutory injunctions such as freezing and disclosure Orders, either before or after the filing of an action, including standalone injunctions, Orders in aid of arbitration, Norwich Pharmacal type of orders, "Chabra" Orders, antisuit injunctions, injunctions for the appointment of receivers etc. He is a Fellow of CI Arb, and a Fellow of AIADR, a member of the London Court of International Arbitration and the International Council of Commercial Arbitration, the IBA and STEP, and he has led the firm in becoming a member of the Russian Arbitration Association. He is registered as a practicing barrister before the Dubai International Financial Center (DIFC) Court. He actively participates in highly regarded international seminars, webinars and conferences as a keynote speaker or panellist and authors numerous articles in international publications. He further promotes the ADR practices in Cyprus by participating in relevant podcasts and webinars.

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"Stavros is an outstanding litigator and long track-record"
"He is in a league of his own"

Dominican Republic



Aimee Prieto
Prieto Cabrera & Asociados SRL

Dr. Aimee Prieto is partner at Prieto Cabrera & Asociados, a leading firm in asset recovery, litigation, real estate law and business in the Dominican Republic.

Aimee is an attorney with more than 20 years of experience with practice specialized in asset recovery, asset tracing, litigation, real estate transactions and business.

Aimee is a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE 2014) and is Dominican Republic's exclusive representative for FraudNet, the fraud prevention network of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC) Commercial Crime Services. FraudNet is the world's leading asset recovery legal network and has an ample cross-border collaboration among its members.

Prieto Cabrera & Asociados serves as local counsel and contractor to the recovery of assets acquired through fraudulent acts committed in the United States of America and invested in the Dominican Republic.

Aimee's prior experience in business law and in the government gives her an edge over many other lawyers. Prior to founding Prieto Cabrera & Asociados, Aimee was advisor to the Dominican Republic's Presidential Office of Information and Communication Technologies; and formerly worked at a major full-service law firm, in the Business, Corporate and Intellectual Property Departments.

Aimee is the Co-Chair for IWIRC Latin America (IWIRC is the International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation) since 2019 and a member of FraudNet's Board of Director since 2018.

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Peers and clients say: *"Ms Prieto is a very well organised, intelligent and competent lawyer"*
"Aimee is a dedicated and inquisitive practitioner"
"She is a go-to for Dominican Republic law and its relation with international law"

England



Baruch Baigel
Asserson Law Offices

Baruch is joint head of dispute resolution at Asserson law offices. With extensive experience in England, Europe and the Middle East, Baruch is recognised by Legal 500 as a leading individual in international arbitration. He is also ranked by Chambers Global and Who's Who Legal as a global leader in asset recovery.

Baruch, a Cambridge and Harvard law school graduate, is a go-to name for complex cross-border fraud cases. As a UK-qualified solicitor-advocate, Baruch has acted on several high profile, high value claims in the UK high court, three of which were listed by the Lawyer among the top 20 UK cases for the year. Baruch also sits as Israel's delegate on the ICC commission on arbitration and ADR, is a member of the ICC task force addressing fraud and corruption in arbitration and is on the panel of arbitrators at VIAC, SIAC and AIAC.

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Peers and clients say: *"Baruch is one of the brightest practitioners in the market"*
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"He is the brains in any asset recovery matter"



Jane Colston
Brown Rudnick LLP

A litigator specialising in high-value business disputes including commercial banking, contract and tort disputes, as well as company, shareholders and partnership disputes.

Jane is listed in the top tiers of Legal 500 and Chambers 2022. Chambers 2022 ranks Jane in Band 1 and states: "A fantastic lawyer and brilliant strategic thinker". Legal 500 2022 states Jane is a "stand-out commercial and fraud litigator". Jane Colston in London is one of the best litigators in London. She possesses outstanding client-facing skills backed up with a superb intellect and is both strategically and legally astute." Chambers & Partners hails her as "one of the country's leading fraud lawyers," and as "tactically shrewd with an incredible intellect – she is a real class act." Chamber's Global Asset Tracing Litigation Guide states Jane is "bright, effective and very high profile in the market".

Who's Who Legal (WWL) 2022 says: "Jane Colston is 'one of the best English disputes practitioners' with vast experience of complex fraud and shareholder disputes." Supervising Solicitor & CEDR Accredited Mediator. WWL "Asset Recovery Lawyers' Analysis 2018 -2021 names her as one of the Global Elite "Thought Leaders" and states she: is "one of the best and brightest in the field" according to peers who consider her "a top player" in the asset tracing space. They regard her as "an excellent litigation partner" known for her "clear and concise" approach.

Jane has been appointed as Secretary of the Litigation Committee, International Bar Association.

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Peers and clients say: *"Jane is a go-to litigator"*
"She is skilful and very adept"
"A very dynamic, tough operator"

England



Kate McMahon
Edmonds Marshall McMahon

Kate McMahon is a founding partner of Edmonds Marshall McMahon, the UK's preeminent private prosecution firm. She is an internationally regarded, dual-qualified prosecutor specialising in complex and serious fraud, money laundering, corruption, regulatory crime and asset recovery. Kate has extensive experience in global investigations and is considered to be a leading strategist.

After qualifying in Australia in 2004, Kate held impressive positions in the Government Legal Service (UK) and the Serious Fraud Office where she worked as a senior lawyer on some of the UK's largest criminal cross-jurisdictional prosecutions and the UK's first global plea agreement.

Kate has been described as "highly commercial", "a formidable adversary" and "highly respected" by *The Legal 500* and has been a recommended individual in the area of white-collar crime since 2013. She has been recognised in the Women in Law Awards (*The Lawyer*). Kate often appears on television and regularly speaks at international conferences on corruption, private prosecutions and asset recovery.

She is currently one of the selected solicitors to act with the government in a new City of London police initiative to tackle fraud. In 2017, Kate was named in *The Lawyer's* "Hot 100" list of the 100 most influential lawyers in the UK. Kate advises governments internationally.

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Peers and clients say: "Kate is clearly one of the leading names in asset recovery"
"She is an incisive practitioner"
"Kate is superb and great with clients"

France



Elena Fedorova
Bonifassi Avocats

Elena Fedorova specializes in civil fraud/asset recovery, recognition and enforcement of arbitral awards and foreign judgments, complex cross-border civil matters, and criminal proceedings. Elena often intervenes in cases involving former Soviet Union countries.

At Bonifassi Avocats, which she joined in 2014, Elena represents BTA Bank of Kazakhstan as a civil party in the criminal investigation of Mukhtar Ablyazov, who is accused of defrauding the bank of billions of dollars in one of the largest frauds ever perpetrated. Elena also counsels the English trustees of Boris Berezovsky's estate to recover assets he beneficially owned in France. She handled the recognition in France of a \$200 million US judgment involving a bad bank, and civil fraud litigation for asset recovery involving complex corporate structures in offshore jurisdictions.

Elena successfully defended a \$50 million arbitral award in setting-aside proceedings with fraud allegations. She often obtains evidence in France for domestic and foreign civil proceedings. She contributed to several complex actions to recognize and enforce foreign judgments, including many against sovereign entities, along with related asset recovery.

A member of the Russian Bar, Elena holds a diploma in law with honors from the Higher School of Economics in Moscow. She also earned a master's degree from Panthéon-Sorbonne University in Paris. She is a member of the Paris Bar.

Bonifassi Avocats is a Paris-based law firm focusing on fraud and asset recovery, internal corporate investigations, criminal defence and enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitral awards. To each specialty the team brings a wealth of experience and technical expertise and a global support network of attorneys, investigators, forensic professionals and litigation communication consultants.

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Peers and clients say: "Elena is one to watch out for in the market"
"Ms Fedorova is my top choice whenever I need a litigation practitioner in France"
"She is extremely personable and is a pleasure to work with"



Jacques-Alexandre Genet
Archipel

Jacques-Alexandre Genet has a wealth of expertise in all aspects of enforcement against sovereign states, including a thorough practical understanding of the law of immunities in key jurisdictions, and of international sanctions. He has advised international clients, including creditor hedge funds, corporations and individuals in the enforcement of awards and judgments across many civil and common law jurisdictions.

Jacques-Alexandre is also active in fraud cases, where he provides guidance to clients in post-fraud recovery situations. He works with Archipel's network of local counsel, advisers, consultants and asset tracers to ensure multi-jurisdictional, coordinated recovery of assets. He is a member of ICC FraudNet, the world's leading asset recovery legal network.

Recent cases include enforcement of UK judgment and worldwide freezing orders against serial debtors; devising and obtaining of unprecedented French civil search orders to locate worldwide assets of debtors; enforcement of US judgments and of ICC, ICSID, OHADA and ad hoc awards against several African, Latin American and Eastern European states or state-owned entities; and resistance to enforcement measures sought by a foreign state, and a foreign market authority, against two individuals and their businesses.

Jacques-Alexandre has degrees in French and US/English business law (University of Paris X Nanterre); and economics and finance (Sciences Po). A former lecturer at Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne University, he currently lectures on international enforcement of arbitral awards at Paris 2 Panthéon-Assas University.

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Peers and clients say: "Jacques-Alexandre is an exceptional asset recovery lawyer"
"He is a market-leading practitioner"
"Mr Genet is a superb strategist"



Emmanuel Kaspereit
Archipel

Emmanuel Kaspereit is a French *avocat* and a partner of Archipel in Paris, specialising in cross-border enforcement and asset recovery.

He focuses on complex projects: multi-jurisdictional proceedings, high-value stakes, interim measures, evidentiary orders, asset tracing, and enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitral awards. He plans and performs global recovery in multimillion-dollar and multibillion-dollar claims against sophisticated fraudsters and sovereign state entities, working as lead counsel or acting as specialist adviser. He has experience in many European, African and offshore jurisdictions, where he works with Archipel's correspondents to enforce foreign decisions and recover assets.

International clients come to Emmanuel when they require expertise in cross-border debt recovery, especially when they are facing fraudsters, defaulting state entities and unwilling foreign debtors. Recent examples include the attachment of an aircraft to force the fast settlement of a debt, and interim measures to enforce a foreign Worldwide Freezing Order and prevent a fraudster from dispersing assets. Emmanuel also defends victims of judgment fraud who want to resist global enforcement and execution.

Emmanuel is known for bringing creative solutions to cross-border issues. He succeeded in changing case law on the enforcement of awards and judgments against sovereign states, and recently devised and won search orders that had been unprecedented under French law. He is particularly adept at coordinating common law and civil law instruments to win recovery for his clients.

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Peers and clients say: "Emmanuel is a terrific lawyer"
"Mr Kaspereit possesses tremendous knowledge of the field"
"He is an extraordinary asset recovery practitioner"

Guatemala



Emanuel Callejas A
Carrillo & Asociados

Emanuel is an attorney, notary public and certified fraud examiner (CFE) whose current practice is focused on prevention, detection and investigation of fraud, risk, corruption and compliance-related matters. He is a member of the firm's bankruptcy, insolvency and asset recovery practice group.

His experience includes the main aspects of asset recovery, gathering of evidence and litigation/ADR strategy involving multi-jurisdictional parties. He has led the production of evidence for several matters working in collaboration with forensic experts, preparation of witness testimony, coordination of international legal assistance requests, and analysis of electronic evidence.

Throughout his career at the firm, he has also contributed with other practice areas by participating in the analysis of local and cross-border corporate transactions, due diligence procedures, review of commercial/corporate agreements, and the incorporation and reorganisation of commercial groups and entities, in coordination with foreign counsel in the USA, Central America, the Caribbean, South America, and Europe.

He joined the firm's corporate law practice in 2006, graduated from law school at Francisco Marroquín University in Guatemala, and obtained an LLM in finance and a minor in entrepreneurship. He has additional education on economics, international law, arbitration and anti-corruption standards, and regularly contributes with publications and presentations on these subjects.

Emanuel is a member of the Guatemalan Bar Association, the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners and the International Association of Restructuring, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Professionals. He speaks Spanish and English.

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Peers and clients say: "I would highly recommend him"
"Emanuel's sharp eye often finds unique solutions to technical issues"
"Emanuel's verve for the subject matter and his keen interest in technology have him stand out among peers"

Guatemala



Rodrigo Callejas A
Carrillo & Asociados

Rodrigo Callejas leads the insolvency, fraud, and asset recovery practice at the Guatemalan law firm Carrillo & Asociados. He joined the firm in 2000 and earned his law degree from Francisco Marroquín University in 2002. He holds additional qualifications from the Central America Business Institute (INCAE) and Georgetown University Law Center. He is a fellow of the International Association of Restructuring, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Professionals (INSOL International).

Through his expertise and leadership, Carrillo & Asociados is spearheading the development of insolvency/asset recovery law practice in Central America through its involvement in two of the largest bank failures/multi-jurisdictional frauds in the history of the Latin America and Caribbean region.

He leads the firm's team, working for the custodian of Bancafe International Bank, incorporated in Barbados, with operations in Guatemala, in performing groundbreaking computer forensics and physical data recovery, to unravel a complex web of offshore non-regulated entities allegedly used to raise and launder money. In pursuit of \$150 million in lost assets, he has effectively led asset tracing, seizure, and recovery strategies for the liquidation, in collaboration with a team of highly skilled legal, audit and forensics professionals from several jurisdictions. Consequently, the custodian has pursued local and international criminal actions for fraud against directors and executives of the failed entities. Rodrigo is also lead multi-jurisdictional Latin American counsel for one of the largest international asset recovery/bank liquidations in history, the Stanford International Bank (Antigua) Ponzi scheme.

His experience includes coordinating and obtaining recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments and recognition of cross-border insolvency proceedings before local, US and European authorities. Rodrigo and his firm are the exclusive Guatemalan representatives of ICC FraudNet, the world's leading asset recovery legal network. He speaks Spanish and English.

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Peers and clients say: *"Rodrigo is a very strategic practitioner"
"I would highly recommend him"
"He has a great depth of international experience in cross-border asset recovery"*



Alfonso Carrillo M
Carrillo & Asociados

Alfonso Carrillo has served as managing partner of the elite international business firm Carrillo & Asociados since 1989, and plays a key role in its international fraud, insolvency and asset recovery practice.

"He is considered one of the most accomplished, all-round lawyers in the country," said a source in *Chambers Global*. Alfonso recently contributed his decades of cross-border financial industry and litigation experience to the Carrillo & Asociados team that served as Latin American counsel to the liquidators of the Stanford International Bank (Antigua) Ponzi scheme. In addition to assisting with the team's successful legal actions in Colombia and Venezuela, he also played a key role in developing the legal strategy for recovery of tens of millions of dollars in outstanding loans from former SIB clients throughout Latin America.

Alfonso and his firm are the Guatemalan representatives of ICC FraudNet, the world's leading asset recovery legal network, according to *Chambers & Partners*.

Integral to the firm's growth and its lead counsel role in the region's top cross-border transactions and litigation, Alfonso advises some of Latin America's largest multinationals on day-to-day operational, regulatory and litigation matters. For example, his landmark work in regional jurisprudence and business regulation, advising on Guatemalan tax and pension reform, the country's securities and marketing law, and its upgrading commissions, has resulted in contacts and experience at the highest level of industry and government. With vast qualifications and experience from many international bodies, including the United Nations and the World Bank, he is widely published and has lectured at Guatemala's top universities. He speaks Spanish and English.

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Peers and clients say: *"Alfonso is a crusader against economic crime and corruption"
"His knowledge and wisdom elevate the people who work with him"
"He is a leader in asset recovery litigation"*

Hong Kong



Jeff Lane
Tanner De Witt

Jeff is a partner in the Dispute Resolution department and leads the firm’s Fraud and Asset Tracing practice. He has a strong commercial practice with a focus on cross-border fraud and cybercrime. Jeff is the sole Hong Kong representative recognised in *Who’s Who Legal: Global Thought Leaders* (2017 - 2021 Editions) for Asset Recovery and is highly regarded by other legal publications.

Jeff has practiced as a litigator in Hong Kong for more than thirty years and is Hong Kong’s go-to legal professional on cyber fraud enforcement. Jeff advises victims of all types of domestic and multi-jurisdictional financial fraud. This includes identity theft, CEO and employee fraud, romance frauds, immigration fraud and crypto fraud. Jeff works closely with the Hong Kong Police, the judicial court system and domestic and international banks to make urgent applications for Mareva injunctions and disclosure orders on behalf of his clients often securing applications for the recovery or preservation of funds within 24 hours of receiving instructions. Jeff is also often asked by clients to advise on the correct protection of business and commercial assets, proactively developing strategies to protect companies against cyber fraud.

Jeff is the sole Hong Kong representative of globally recognised and highly ranked lawyer network FraudNet, membership of which is by invitation only. This network combined with Jeff’s long-standing relationships with banks in Asia allows for an extremely high success rate of recovery of client funds. Jeff has been involved in matters undergoing judicial review; the outcome of these matters will impact how the courts and Hong Kong police are able to preserve and hold assets.

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Peers and clients say: *“Jeff is a first-rate asset recovery practitioner”*
“He does a lot of heavyweight asset recovery work”
“Mr Lane ensures immediate responses to clients”



Dorothy Siron
Zhong Lun Law Firm

Dorothy Siron, Co-Managing partner of Zhong Lun Law Firm’s Hong Kong office, has a wealth of experience in asset tracing and recovery and is a widely respected litigator who specializes in cases involving cyber fraud and other financial and white-collar crimes in Hong Kong and internationally.

She heads the Litigation and Dispute Resolution practice, with a focus on cross-border casework and obtaining high rates of return for her clients who are victims of significant financial crimes. In a recent case involving five levels of down-stream satellite litigation and a multitude of defendants that materialized after the initial fraud, she recovered almost 90% of the defrauded funds for her client.

Her expertise encompasses white collar crime, disciplinary defence, complex international trade and commercial disputes, enforcement of foreign judgments, asset recovery and multifaceted trust and probate disputes.

Dorothy is a Fellow of The International Academy of Financial Crime Litigators, an academic and pragmatic collaboration with the Basel (Switzerland) Institute on Governance. A global thought leader, she is co-author of a groundbreaking 2022 Basel publication entitled, “Cryptocurrencies in Asia and beyond: law, regulation and enforcement”.

Dorothy is a recommended lawyer in Private Client (Tax, Trusts, Wealth Management, Contentious Probate) by Legal 500 Asia Pacific Guide in 2021 and 2022. She was shortlisted for awards as Litigator of the Year (North Asia) by the ALB Inaugural Women in Law Awards in 2021, and White Collar Crime in 2021 and Litigation in both 2020 and 2021 by Women in Business Awards Asia-Pacific.

“Whether seeking made-to-order solutions or strategizing steps forward, Dorothy will tailor make solutions with the client’s best interests as her paramount consideration.”

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Peers and clients say: *“Dorothy is extremely knowledgeable of the applicable laws and procedures for asset recovery”*
“She has excellent client relationship skills”
“Ms Siron is efficient and very successful”

Italy



Roberto Pisano
Studio Legale Pisano

Roberto Pisano is the founder and managing partner of Studio Legale Pisano, an Italian boutique firm which specialises in all areas of white-collar crime including transnational investigations, recovery of assets, mutual legal assistance and extradition.

Mr Pisano has a history of representing prominent individuals and entities in high-profile Italian criminal proceedings, including various cases of corruption involving international corporations and their top officials (with multiple investigations in the US, the UK, France etc); various cases of extradition, including the recent FIFA investigation by the US authorities and representation of foreign states; three cases of alleged tax fraud involving the former Italian prime minister; a case involving a major US bank in the bankruptcy of the Parmalat group; a case involving a claim for restitution of antiquities by the Italian ministry of culture, in which Mr Pisano represented a prominent US museum; various appeals in foreign jurisdictions (eg the USA, Hong Kong, Switzerland etc) against seizure and confiscation of assets; Italian criminal counsel for foreign multinationals conducting internal investigations. Mr Pisano also advises and represents relevant foreign governments.

Mr Pisano obtained a law degree, *summa cum laude*, from the State University of Milan in 1992, and a PhD from the University of Genoa in 1999. Between 1993 and 1997 he was a research associate at Bocconi University of Milan where he has since spent many years working as a contract professor on business and tax crimes. Mr Pisano was co-chair of the business crime committee of the IBA in 2007 and 2008 and vice chair of the ECBA in 2008 and 2009. He is the author of several publications on the subject of business crime and mutual legal assistance.

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Peers and clients say: *"Roberto is a well-known Italian practitioner"*
"He has a strong presence in international fora and cross-border cases"

Jersey, Channel Islands



Stephen Baker
Baker & Partners

Stephen Baker is Senior Partner of Baker & Partners. He is an English barrister, a Jersey Advocate and called to the bar of the BVI.

Stephen is an expert on the interaction between the civil and criminal law in fraud cases including those seeking to evade judgment debts.

Stephen specialises in complex trust and commercial litigation (including the long running Trilogy Management case) with an emphasis on asset recovery. Stephen is a leading anti-corruption expert. He acts or has acted for the Federal Republic of Nigeria, the Islamic Republic of Pakistan National Accountability Bureau, the Kenyan Anti-Corruption Commission, the Federal Republic of Brazil and the Municipality of Sao Paulo in corruption cases. Cases in which Stephen has been instructed include Brazil v Durant and Kildare, (Bagudu, Bhojwani (re Nigeria), Bhutto and Zadari, Ul Haq, Minwalla (Pakistan), Gichuru, Okewu, Windward Trading (Kenya).

Stephen's work has significantly contributed to the return of billions of dollars of stolen assets to victim states. He is expert in the interaction between criminal and civil asset recovery actions.

Stephen was the Chairman of the International Bar Association Corruption Sub-Committee on Asset Recovery for two years from January 2018. Stephen is the Chairman on the Institute of Law in Jersey.

Stephen is the only Jersey member of the International Chamber of Commerce Fraudnet group which enables teams of lawyers across some 70 jurisdictions to work together.

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Peers and clients say: *"Few are as diligent as Stephen is in getting the best results, in the most efficient manner possible"*
"Steve has gravitas and has built an excellent team"
"He is very responsive and always available"



James Corbett QC
Baker & Partners

Called to the English Bar in 1975, James has been Queen's Counsel for over 20 years. James joined Baker & Partners in September 2018 as Senior Counsel, enhancing the firm's already renowned courtroom experience.

James has been admitted, permanently or pro hac, in a total of 11 international and offshore jurisdictions including the Cayman Islands, the British Virgin Islands and Gibraltar. He is the first English QC to join a Jersey firm.

After many years as a member of prestigious Serle Court Chambers in Lincoln's Inn, London, James became a partner in the London office of Kobre & Kim LLP, a US/International law firm. He was managing partner of that firm's Cayman Islands office from 2012-2014.

James is a leading authority on cross-border litigation in English and Commonwealth courts, with an emphasis on disputes in the financial services and technology industries as well as those related to insolvency. His work has often involved complex trusts, banking and securities matters, including claims of £100 million+ by non-English banks, brokerage firms and other institutions against major international banks including Standard Chartered Bank, JP Morgan Chase and The Royal Bank of Scotland. He is also a chartered arbitrator and CEDR mediator and has arbitrated and mediated international disputes in many parts of the world. He is a graduate of the University of Exeter (LLB and LLM) and is a former lecturer in law at the University of Leicester.

James has recently been appointed as a panel Deemster (part-time High Court judge) in the Isle of Man.

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Peers and clients say: *"Mr Corbett QC has deep experience of offshore trusts litigation, formed over many years' experience"*
"He is a powerful advocate"
"James brings a confident and persuasive style to his advocacy"



William Redgrave
Baker & Partners

William has specialised in courtroom advocacy since being called to the English Bar 25 years ago. He was called to the Jersey Bar in 2010. He appears in many major trust and commercial disputes in Jersey. He specialises in obtaining freezing and disclosure orders to assist in tracing and preserving assets, in support of both Jersey and overseas claims.

He represents the Plaintiff in *Sheyko v Consolidated Minerals Limited*, a substantial breach of contract claim involving a Jersey mining company that was bought by a Chinese company. He successfully argued, both before the Master and on appeal to the Royal Court, that the defence case should be struck out because of substantial discovery failures, including a failure to obtain material stored on the personal phones of the principals of the company in China.

He acts for Geoffrey Crill, a Jersey advocate, in a substantial dispute between former colleagues in a law firm over whether shareholders received an undervalue for their shares in a local trust company.

He acts for Emirates NBD Bank PJSC in asset tracing efforts involving the use of disclosure and gagging and freezing orders to identify the assets of a judgment debtor.

He continues to act for BNP Paribas Jersey Trust Corporation in litigation arising from the long-running *Crociani v Crociani* breach of trust litigation, including proceedings in which an Italian princess was found guilty of contempt and fined a record £2m.

He represented the Plaintiffs in *MB & Services v UC Rusal PLC*, a \$1bn conspiracy claim in which the issues included whether a fair trial can be had in Russia against a company associated with a Kremlin-friendly oligarch. The Court ruled that a fair trial would not happen in Russia and that the claim must be tried in Jersey.

He acted in a judicial review against the Jersey police in respect of the indefinite freeze of \$16m following the making of a suspicious activity report: *Prospective Applicant v Chief Officer States of Jersey Police*. He continues to advise in a number of cases involving funds that are subject to withholding of police consent, and has written articles on the subject.

He prosecuted the Abu Dhabi Commercial Bank for anti-money laundering breaches, resulting in a substantial fine. In 2021 he advised on the successful prosecution of a Jersey trust company for a similar offence involving suspected corruption in Angola.

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Peers and clients say: *"He skilfully manages complex multijurisdictional cases, while being strategic and tactical"*
He is persuasive in court and an excellent asset recovery practitioner"



Simon Thomas
Baker & Partners

Simon Thomas is an English Barrister and Jersey Advocate who has over 25 years experience of Court room advocacy. He undertakes work across a number of diverse areas of law, including; contentious trusts litigation, commercial litigation, employment law, public law and judicial review, and family law.

He has experience in conducting high value asset recovery litigation, including leading the Jersey team in the case of *CMC v Foster & others* acting for a Kenyan company seeking to recover millions of pounds of funds diverted by its former directors. He has also acted in cases where offshore trust structures are used to conceal assets. A developing area of Simon's practice involves international divorce proceedings where assets are located (and often concealed) in a number of different jurisdictions.

Simon also acts as a prosecutor instructed by the Attorney-General of Jersey and successfully prosecuted the principal of a Jersey investment advisory firm arising out of the international Providence Ponzi Scheme.

In the field of public law Simon has undertaken several high-profile cases challenging decisions taken by the authorities pursuant to Mutual Legal Assistance. He also acts in international cases where funds are frozen in Jersey pursuant to the Proceeds of Crime legislation.

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Peers and clients say: *"Simon is tenacious and very much client-focused"*
"Mr Thomas is an advocate who is great on his feet"
"The courts like him, he is very pragmatic and gives solid, clear advice"

Liechtenstein



Johannes Gasser
GASSER PARTNER Attorneys at Law

Johannes Gasser, TEP is senior partner at Gasser Partner, specialising in civil litigation, commercial, foundation and corporate law. He is top-ranked in Chambers Global & HNW and The Legal 500 and voted to the Private Client Global Elite. His regular lecturing and publishing activities include especially the areas of foundation and trust law as well as arbitration. Johannes Gasser is an academician of The International Academy of Estate and Trust Law (TIAETL) and international fellow of the American College Of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC). He advises high-net-worth individuals and their families on estate and wealth-planning matters, and has a very strong practice in representing clients in large cross-border trust and estate planning disputes.

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Peers and clients say: *"He is famous in the market for private clients and asset recovery"*
"Johannes is amazing across contentious and non-contentious matters"



Siegbert Lampert
Lampert & Partner Attorneys at Law Ltd

Siegbert Lampert is the founding partner of the law firm Lampert & Partner Attorneys at Law Ltd. Siegbert graduated from the University of St Gallen in Switzerland and holds an LL.M. degree from the University of Miami School of Law. He was admitted to the Liechtenstein Bar in 1994 and to the New York Bar in 1996. Siegbert Lampert was appointed as a judge of the Constitutional Court of the Principality of Liechtenstein (StGH) from 2005 through 2014 and served as Deputy Minister of Justice of the Liechtenstein Government in 2020.

Founded in 1996, Lampert & Partner Attorneys at Law Ltd is a full-service law firm with an emphasis on white-collar crime and asset recovery, corporate and commercial law and related fields. The firm handles high-profile cases and is dedicated to advising several national governments as well as many prominent corporate and individual clients. Siegbert Lampert and the firm are members of the ICC's FraudNet and other important legal networks. FraudNet is a global network of leading anti-fraud and business crime lawyers operating under the Commercial Crime Services Division of the International Chamber of Commerce.

The law firm and Siegbert Lampert are recommended by *Chambers*, *The Legal 500*, *IFLR 1000*, *Global Law Experts* and the Liechtenstein Chamber of Commerce (Wirtschaftskammer), particularly for his practice and expertise in corporate and commercial law as well as asset tracing and recovery. Other fields of expertise include financial institutions regulations, international legal assistance, constitutional law, trusts and estates, private clients and charitable organisations.

Next to being a contributing author of *The FraudNet World Compendium on Asset Tracing & Recovery*, other publications cover subjects such as e.g. international commercial fraud, business crime and anti-corruption regulation, foundation law and general corporate procedures.

Siegbert Lampert is fluent in German, English and French.

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Peers and clients say: *"Siegbert provides well-thought through and comprehensive strategic advice"*
"His distinguished reputation goes well beyond his jurisdiction"

Monaco



Donald Manasse
Donald Manasse Law Offices

With more than 34 years of experience, Donald Manasse represents victims and judicial administrators in international fraud cases with connections in Monaco, France and Italy. That decades-long experience has been recognised with top-tier rankings in the corporate/commercial: dispute resolution chapters of *Chambers Global* and *Chambers Europe* (2019). Clients interviewed by *Chambers* describe Mr Manasse as “responsive and knowledgeable” and as someone who “sees the big picture and functions as an adviser, rather than just carrying out instruction.” *The Legal 500 EMEA* (2018) calls him “top-notch” for his local and international profile, and recognises him as a renowned litigator in US and French law.

His expertise extends to corporate advice (such as assistance with restructuring mandates and property development) as well as private client, wealth management and taxation. For his work with private clients, *The Legal 500* (2018) quoted clients describing Mr Manasse as “highly reactive.”

Additionally, Donald Manasse Law Offices is recognised as a “top-tier” firm and was called a “heavyweight” in Monaco by *The Legal 500*. His office is the Monaco representative of ICC FraudNet. Mr Manasse is a founding member of the International Academy of Financial Crime Litigators.

Mr Manasse represents clients in courts across various jurisdictions. In Monaco, he appears in the courts with local counsel. His experience with international financial customs and practices further enhances his technique during criminal trial representations.

Since 1986, Donald Manasse Law Offices has advised corporations, law firms and high-net-worth individuals with transactions and litigation in the Côte d’Azur. The firm enjoys an established reputation in complex and high-profile litigation cases, and has a substantial international bankruptcy, corruption, fraud and asset recovery practice.

Netherlands



Kees van de Meent
Florent

Kees van de Meent is one of the founding partners at Florent in Amsterdam.

Kees van de Meent heads the firm’s asset recovery and commercial fraud group, which represents victims of serious fraud, corruption and other economic crimes around the world. Having been a court-appointed trustee for more than 30 years he also advises on national and international insolvency matters and creditor rights. Van de Meent acts as court-appointed trustee in international fraud-related bankruptcies.

Florent’s asset recovery and commercial fraud group is specialised in cases of cross-border asset recovery, fraud litigation (prosecuting civil claims for fraud), conducting financial fraud investigations in cooperation with forensic accountants and IT forensics, representing corporates, banks, court-appointed trustees in fraud-related bankruptcies in order to recover stolen assets for the estate as well as (groups of) individual victims of fraud. The team navigates complex legal issues such as private international law issues (regarding competent court, applicable law, recognition and enforcement) and multiple freeze actions, and works in close cooperation with colleagues in other jurisdictions to close the net on the fraudster.

Kees van de Meent is the Dutch representative of ICC’s FraudNet, the global network operating under the aegis of the International Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of INSOL International, Insol Europe and INSOLAD.

Kees van de Meent is frequently invited to lecture within the Netherlands and abroad on the topic of combatting commercial fraud and asset recovery and is a co-author of *Asset Tracing & Recovery: The FraudNet World Compendium*.

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“Kees delivers a no nonsense, practical and knowledgeable approach”
“He has deep expertise in insolvency matters”

Nigeria



Babajide O Ogundipe
Sofunde Osakwe Ogundipe & Belgore

Babajide Ogundipe has been a member of the Nigeria Bar for more than 40 years, and is presently senior partner at Sofunde, Osakwe, Ogundipe & Belgore, which he co-founded in 1989. A fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators since 1994, he held various positions in the Nigerian branch of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators between 1997 and 2009, serving as chairman from 2006 to 2009. He is currently on the board of the Lagos Court of Arbitration, having served as its president from 2010 to 2014.

Asset recovery is a major part of his work as a litigator, and he has represented numerous clients seeking to recover assets lost due to fraud and other misfeasance. With this experience, he is recognised as one of Nigeria's leading lawyers in the field.

As arbitrator, he has been appointed in cases involving oil and gas-related engineering and exploration issues, the provision of marine and aviation services, insurance, road and building construction, airline agency commissions, sports sponsorships, defence contracts and electricity generation, conducted under the UNCITRAL based rules of Nigeria's Arbitration and Conciliation Act, ICC Arbitration Rules, UNCITRAL rules in LCIA administered arbitrations and the rules of the Lagos Court of Arbitration.

A frequent speaker at conferences on arbitration, anti-corruption and asset recovery issues and the regulation of the legal profession, he is ICC FraudNet's Nigeria representative. He is an active member of the International Bar Association and served for several years as an officer of the anti-corruption and regulation of lawyers' compliance committees.

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"Mr Ogundipe is great lawyer in complex asset recovery matters and dispute resolution"

Poland



Jarosław Kruk
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Jaroslaw Kruk has been an attorney at law since 1997. He is a managing partner of KW Kruk and Partners Law Firm LP, established in 2010 by him and his team.

Jaroslaw Kruk is a specialist in implementing compliance programmes – procedures preventing and minimising business malpractices and irregularities. His main field of expertise is the uncovering and prevention of business crimes and corruption, especially corporate crimes, white-collar crimes, anti-money laundering and phishing. In 2010 he was selected as the only Polish member of ICC FraudNet, the world's leading network of asset tracking and recovery lawyers. He is also a leader in complex, cross-border litigation matters, supporting intellectual property and other assets misappropriated across Europe. Jaroslaw Kruk is a known and highly valued expert in the defence sector as well as state security, military equipment purchasing, and public utilities and defence procurement. He gained experience over several years at the law department of the Ministry of the Interior and Administration; he also managed the outsourcing of legal support for the department of offset programmes of the Ministry of Economic Affairs (2007 to 2010).

Jaroslaw Kruk also has experience in providing legal services for clients from such sectors as fast-moving consumer goods, real estate, new technology, telecommunications, TSL, liquid fuels and chemical logistics, energy and natural resources.

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"Mr Kruk is a practitioner who brings speed and effectiveness of action to his clients' matters"
"He is very well regarded in the space"

Serbia



Tomislav Šunjka
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Tomislav Šunjka is a founder and principal of ŠunjkaLaw, an independent, specialised and focused law firm in Serbia. Owing to his background in business law, he understands the nature of transactions, bank transfers and financial arrangements very well, which is a huge benefit to his asset tracing and asset recovery practice. He is leading and unrivalled authority on complex investigation and litigation; a strategic thinker; and a focused professional. His knowledge of foreign laws, anti-corruption extritorial laws and resources for working internationally has validated his position as a top-class player. Tomislav is an extraordinary case manager and supervisor in multi-jurisdictional cases, and clients request him in this role even when Serbia is not one of the jurisdictions.

Tomislav Šunjka represents victims of financial fraud, and acts on matters relating to bankruptcy; financial crime; corruption; civil and commercial issues; damages; and high-level political and business crime, among other matters, all in connection to asset recovery and anti-corruption. He practises in Serbia and internationally.

Tomislav is the current senior vice chair of the IBA asset recovery subcommittee, and the former Europe representative of the IBA anti-corruption committee. He is also a member of ICC FraudNet, an international network that is ranked in the top tier of Chambers Global's civil fraud section.

Tomislav is certified as an auditor according to ISO standards 37301 (Compliance Management Systems) and 37001 (Anti-bribery Management Systems). In addition, Tomislav has high international recognition in cases involving corruption; compliance; white-collar crime; corporate internal investigations; complex commercial investigations; enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitration awards; corporate and financial law; integrity in sports law; and many others.

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"Mr Šunjka has a very creative mind and a wealth of experience"
"Tomislav's experience in relation to dispute resolution is impressive"

Singapore



Danny Ong
Rajah & Tann Singapore LLP

Danny is a partner at Rajah & Tann, the largest legal services provider in South East Asia headquartered in Singapore.

He specialises in a broad range of corporate and commercial dispute work with particular emphasis on cross-border fraud and asset recovery, contentious insolvency, and banking and securities disputes.

Specifically, in the area of fraud and asset recovery, Danny has advised and represented various state-owned companies, governmental agencies, international financial institutions, and liquidators, in the investigation and prosecution of claims involving complex multi-jurisdictional corporate and commercial fraud and breaches of fiduciary duties, enforcement of foreign judgments, and the recovery and tracing of assets globally, involving billions of dollars. In the last decade, he has been involved in some of the highest-profile cross-border fraud matters to be seen in Singapore and the region, including more recently, matters involving the recovery of cryptocurrencies.

Danny is a member of the ICC Commercial Crime Services' FraudNet network, and has been recognised in leading legal publications in his areas of expertise, including as a Thought Leader in the field of asset recovery by *WWL*. Danny graduated from the National University of Singapore and is admitted to the Singapore Bar, as well as the Rolls of Solicitors of the High Courts of Hong Kong, and England and Wales.

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"He is a very smart practitioner"
"Mr Ong is proactive and responsive when conducting matters"

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Benjamin Borsodi
Schellenberg Wittmer

Benjamin Borsodi is a member of Schellenberg Wittmer's dispute resolution practice group where he heads the white-collar crime and corporate investigation group in Geneva. His areas of practice include all aspects of business crime such as fraud, anti-corruption, money laundering and related aspects. Benjamin is also specialized in the conduct of large-scale corporate investigations. Furthermore, he regularly acts for financial institutions in banking and commercial litigation.

Examples of Benjamin's expertise include representing a leading commodities trading house in the context of transnational bribery allegations; assisting a sovereign State from the Middle-East to recover substantial assets dissipated through a multi-jurisdictional fraud and bribery scheme; defending one of the major Brazilian construction companies for the Swiss aspects of the Petrobras scandal; representing the trustees and beneficiaries of a trust in the context of massive assets' misappropriation and breach of trust; and acting on behalf of several major financial institutions facing claims from disgruntled clients.

Benjamin is active in several professional associations such as the International Bar Association and the European Criminal Bar Association. He has authored and co-authored several publications on business crime related issues and is a frequent speaker at international conferences, which includes regular engagements at C5 events, particularly in the fields of fraud and asset recovery.

Benjamin graduated from the University of Geneva with a degree in economics in 1994 followed by a degree in law in 1996. He was admitted to the Swiss Bar in 1999 and to the New York Bar in 2001, after earning a Master of Laws from Georgetown University in 2000.

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"He is a great strategist"
"He is highly reputed as a go-to practitioner in the asset recovery field"



Aurélie Conrad Hari
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Aurélie Conrad Hari leads the civil litigation practice of Bär & Karrer in Geneva. She has a broad experience in handling complex multi-jurisdictional disputes in financial, banking and commercial disputes. She also specializes in private clients' assistance and representation.

Her practice encompasses shareholders' and employment disputes, insolvency as well as asset recovery, with the recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitral awards. She also frequently acts as counsel representing parties in commercial arbitration related to various industries, eg, sale, distribution, agency, construction (including power plants) and energy. Additionally, she conducts internal investigation on specific fact findings and compliance issues upon instructions from clients or supervisory authorities.

Who's Who Legal lists her as a leading lawyer in litigation, asset recovery and as a future leader in arbitration. She is also recognized by Chambers and Partners and Legal500 for her litigation practice as well as by Leaders League, the Global Elite Private Client Directory as well as Citywealth where she is featured in the IFC Powerwomen Top 200 since 2018.

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"Aurelie Conrad Hari is a very talented and leading lawyer in the Swiss asset recovery landscape"
"She is very practical, quick and reliable"

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Andrew Michael Garbarski
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Andrew M. Garbarski specializes in white collar crime, administrative criminal law, asset recovery, international judicial and administrative assistance, as well as financial and commercial litigation and insolvency. During recent years, Andrew M. Garbarski's work has encompassed, among others, complex multi-jurisdictional financial crime and asset recovery matters, as well as the representation of clients before the Swiss prosecution authorities and courts.

He is the author of numerous articles within his fields of specialization and is a frequent speaker at seminars and conferences.

Andrew Garbarski is listed by Who's Who Legal as a leader in Switzerland for business crime defence, investigations and asset recovery, and as a "Future Leader" (2018-22) for investigations. Chambers and Partners lists him as "Band 3" in their white-collar crime category. He is also listed as a "Rising Star" in the white-collar crime category by Euromoney Legal Media Group (Expert Guides, LMG Rising Stars 2015, 2016 and 2017).

Andrew Garbarski is a professor of white-collar crime and criminal procedure law at the University of Lausanne. He was also appointed by the Federal Office of Justice (FOJ) as member of the Working Group dealing with the modernisation of the Administrative Criminal Law in 2020.

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Rodolphe Gautier
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Rodolphe Gautier has almost 20 years of experience working on litigation and arbitration, asset tracing, white-collar crimes and related international mutual assistance in Switzerland. He heads the Geneva dispute resolution practice of Walder Wyss Ltd.

He is very active in commercial litigation, international arbitration and private disputes in Switzerland, as well as complex global matters involving Swiss-connected parties, assets, substantive law or seats of arbitration. He provides strategic and tactical advice in pre-litigation phases and works with clients to manage their expectations. He frequently defends individuals, domestic companies and multinationals before civil and criminal courts in breaches of contract, liability and recovery issues. His practice also covers commodity trading litigation and a myriad of disputes related to the financial services sector, such as preemptive relief to locate and freeze assets and preserve evidence.

Additionally, Rodolphe Gautier handles business crime defence, assisting corporations and executives in white-collar crime proceedings. He also acts as external counsel to multinationals and financial service providers in international investigations and compliance.

Rodolphe Gautier joined Walder Wyss Ltd in 2017 and previously was a partner at Baker McKenzie, since 2009. He graduated in law with honours from the University of Fribourg in 1998, with a special mention in European law. He is registered with both the Geneva Bar Association and the Swiss Bar Association and is admitted to practice in all of Switzerland. He is also registered and admitted to practise as foreign lawyer with the Singapore International Commercial Court.

With around 250 legal experts, Walder Wyss is one of the most successful and fastest growing Swiss commercial law firms, with offices in Zurich, Geneva, Basel, Berne, Lausanne and Lugano. The firm specialises in corporate and commercial law, banking and finance, intellectual property and competition law, dispute resolution and tax law. Clients include national and international companies, publicly held corporations and family businesses as well as public law institutions and private clients.

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Peers and clients say: "Andrew is a truly excellent lawyer"
"Mr Garbarski has highly valuable experience in the space"
"He ensures good tactical thinking"

Peers and clients say: "He is dedicated, smart and has a practical approach"
"Rodolphe is thorough in his work"
"He possesses strong business acumen"



Sandrine Giroud
LALIVE

Sandrine Giroud is a partner at LALIVE, one of the Swiss leading firms in asset recovery. She is internationally recognised for her practice in complex domestic and international civil and criminal litigation. Her areas of focus include asset recovery, judgement enforcement, fraud, white collar crime, international judicial assistance (civil and criminal), financial litigation as well as private client disputes.

Sandrine has been acting as counsel in some of the most important fraud cases in Switzerland of recent years and is currently conducting investigations proceedings in matters involving amounts of over USD 1 billion, carried out in multiple jurisdictions simultaneously.

She is Vice President of the Geneva Bar Association (ODA) and is immediate past President of its Human Rights Committee. An officer since 2015, she became a senior officer of the IBA Litigation Committee in 2021. She is also a member of the IBA Asset Recovery

Subcommittee and in this context regularly contributes to working papers for the UN and other anti-corruption agencies.

Sandrine co-authored and co-edited the reference book on Swiss law on international sanctions and confiscation and regularly writes and speaks on her fields of expertise, including in the general media.

Well respected by her peers in asset recovery worldwide, she was the recipient of the Who's Who Legal Switzerland Awards 2021 - Lawyer of the Year for Asset Recovery.

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"She is a highly dependable practitioner in the space"
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Paul Gully-Hart
Schellenberg Wittmer

Paul Gully-Hart is Of-Counsel in Schellenberg Wittmer's dispute resolution and white-collar and compliance groups in Geneva.

Paul is well versed in all aspects of common law and has developed a strong practice in complex litigation matters, including banking and commercial disputes that frequently involve an international component as well as multi-jurisdictional aspects. Paul is highly specialized in a broad range of areas including asset tracing and recovery, international legal assistance in criminal and regulatory matters, advice on compliance issues, sanctions law, corporate investigations and defence work in white collar cases.

Examples of Paul Gully-Hart's expertise include: representing an Eastern European country in the context of a major fraud perpetrated in Switzerland which had given rise to the freezing of approximately 660 million Swiss francs; assisting a large publicly listed Spanish company in its efforts to trace and recover the proceeds of a major fraud and representing a major investor in efforts to trace and recover assets worldwide (in jurisdictions as diverse as Costa Rica, Montenegro, Jordan, Rwanda and Belgium) in the context of a fraudulent bankruptcy generating losses in excess of 150 million Swiss francs.

Paul Gully-Hart is a former chairman of the business crime committee of the International Bar Association, where he still remains active. He speaks regularly at international conferences and seminars on topics within his areas of expertise.

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"He is well-known in the market"
"Paul is incredibly experienced"



Marc Henzelin
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Marc Henzelin joined LALIVE in 2001 and is a partner of the firm. He has vast experience in transnational and domestic litigation, with specific focus in international and economic criminal law, commercial and banking litigation, asset recovery, mutual legal assistance in criminal matters and extradition, as well as sports law and public international law. He leads private investigations, focusing on asset search, recovery and compliance issues. His portfolio includes some of the most important asset recovery cases in Switzerland of recent years and several high-profile matters involving 10 figure amounts.

He is a member of numerous professional associations, including the International Bar Association's Anti-Corruption Committee (Officer of the Double Jeopardy Subcommittee) and the Business Crime Committee (Co-Chair 2010-2012); the Advisory Board of the European Criminal Bar Association (ECBA), and the Anti-Corruption Commission of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC). He was one of the founders and co-directors of what is today the Geneva Academy of International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights.

Marc Henzelin is on the editorial board of the New Journal of European Criminal Law (previously, "Journal of European Criminal Law", NJECL) and of the Global Investigations Review (GIR) and has published extensively in international and economic criminal law, mutual legal assistance in criminal matters and public international law.

Marc Henzelin is ranked among the best business crime defence lawyers in Switzerland by the Who's Who of Business Crime Lawyers, Chambers Europe (white collar crime) and the Experts Guides.

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"Marc is a real leader in the Genevan market"

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Vincent Jeanneret is an of counsel in the dispute resolution group in Geneva, where he also heads Schellenberg Wittmer's restructuring and insolvency team. Vincent specialises in commercial and banking litigation with a focus on international, complex cases. He has been recognised as one of the few specialists who deals with major insolvency cases both at a Swiss and international level. He is frequently retained as counsel or expert in connection with white-collar crime cases at federal or state level, and provides international legal assistance, advising on embargo law proceedings.

Vincent has published extensively in the fields of criminal law. He is a member of the Swiss Bar Association and of the Geneva Business Law Association, where he was a board member and treasurer from 1996 to 2002. Vincent was the chairman of the Geneva Law and Legislation Society and was also a board member of the University of Geneva School of Law.

Vincent joined Schellenberg Wittmer as a partner in 1996. He was admitted to the Swiss Bar in 1989 after graduating from the University of Geneva with a law degree in 1982, business degree in 1985 and master of laws in 1986.

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Anne Valérie Julen Berthod
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Anne Valérie Julen Berthod joined Bär & Karrer's White Collar Crime Department in 2006. She is advising Swiss and foreign clients in complex domestic and cross-border financial crime proceedings. She specialises in asset recovery proceedings.

She is also very active in international mutual assistance in criminal and tax matters and regularly advises clients in administrative criminal law, with a particular interest in compliance issues, sanctions law and tax fraud investigations.

Furthermore, Anne Valérie Julen Berthod frequently acts as a civil litigator in banking, commercial and insolvency proceedings.

Anne Valérie Julen Berthod is listed in Band 3 of the white-collar crime practice in Chambers Europe Guide 2021 and listed since 2020 as a Thought Leader in asset recovery by Who's Who Legal. She is also recognized among the best Swiss practitioners in the category Business Crime Defense.

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Yves Klein
Monfrini Bitton Klein

Yves Klein is a partner of Monfrini Bitton Klein, a conflict-free litigation boutique based in Geneva. The firm focuses on asset recovery, business crime defence, anti-corruption investigations, offshore disputes, international judicial assistance, cross-border insolvency, enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitration awards, and the tracing of matrimonial and estate assets.

Mr Klein's main activity is litigating and coordinating transnational asset recovery proceedings on behalf of victims of economic crimes, or parties seeking to enforce their claims against assets concealed in Switzerland or abroad.

He develops strategies for the international search for and recovery of assets, and coordinates cross-border proceedings. He represents his clients – be they states, liquidators of foreign bankruptcy estates, corporations or individuals – before civil, criminal and bankruptcy courts, in order to recover the proceeds of crimes and to obtain damages from perpetrators and facilitators.

Since 1999, Mr Klein has, together with his partner Enrico Monfrini, conducted groundbreaking corruption recovery proceedings in the case of *Nigeria v Abacha*, where more than US\$2 billion has been recovered in 10 jurisdictions. For the past 20 years, Mr Klein has also been retained as Swiss counsel in several other corruption recovery cases, notably *Brazil v Dos Santos Netto*, *Haiti v Duvalier*, *Tunisia v Ben Ali* and *Guinea v Steinmetz*.

As chair of the International Bar Association's asset recovery subcommittee (anti-corruption committee), Mr Klein has established institutional relationships with the World Bank, the OECD Working Group on Bribery, and anti-corruption law enforcement officials in view of developing best practices regarding the use of civil asset recovery tools in parallel with criminal proceedings.

Peers and clients say: "Vincent Jeanneret is one of the most experienced Geneva lawyers"
"Mr Jeanneret is an absolutely excellent practitioner in international insolvency cases"
"He is solution-oriented and very experienced"

Peers and clients say: "She is very good for white collar crime cases"
"Anne is very client driven"
"She is a top-tier, excellent asset recovery lawyer"



Saverio Lembo
Bär & Karrer Ltd

Mr Klein has also been active in representing bankruptcy estates of foreign banks or publicly traded companies. He has recovered tens of millions of dollars for their depositors, investors and creditors, prominently in the context of Ponzi schemes. He notably represents in Switzerland the insolvencies of Stanford International Bank Ltd (Antigua), Saad Investments Company Ltd (Cayman), Bernard L. Madoff Investment Securities LLC (USA), Banco Santos SA (Brazil), Bilta (UK) Limited (England) and Banco Turco Romana SA (Romania).

He has obtained the recognition of foreign judgments and arbitral awards for amounts in excess of US\$100 million and has successfully recovered the assets that defendants concealed in Switzerland or abroad.

Mr Klein is the Swiss representative of ICC FraudNet, the leading global legal network for asset recovery, present in more than 70 countries. Since 2013 he has been recognised by *WWL* as one of the world's most highly regarded individuals in asset recovery, and is recognised by *Chambers* for his asset recovery activity.

He has published on asset tracing and recovery, anti-corruption, and recognition of foreign judgments and arbitral awards since 1996, and regularly presents on these matters at international conferences.

Admitted to the Geneva Bar in 1995, Mr Klein holds a law degree from the University of Geneva (1989) and a diploma of higher studies in international law from the Graduate Institute of International Studies of Geneva (1993).

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Saverio Lembo heads Bär & Karrer's White Collar Crime practice group.

He has extensive experience in white collar crime, commercial and financial litigation, international judicial assistance (civil and criminal), arbitration and insolvency. During recent years, he has been involved in a number of complex commercial litigation proceedings, has served as a party representative or arbitrator in various domestic and international commercial arbitrations and has assisted clients in Swiss and foreign criminal proceedings. He regularly represents clients before the Court of Arbitration for Sport (CAS).

Saverio Lembo's practice also extends to pharmaceutical litigation, inheritance law, employment matters and enforcement of foreign judgments and awards.

Saverio Lembo was elected member of the board of the Geneva Bar on 11 May 2022.

Saverio Lembo is ranked in tier 1 of the leading lawyers in White-Collar Crime Switzerland by *Chambers & Partners*. He was awarded "Lawyer of the Year for Switzerland" in the categories "Business Crime Defence" and "Investigations" at the *Who's Who Legal Awards* in 2020 as well as "Lawyer of the Year 2016" in the categories Criminal Defence and Litigation in the Geneva area by *Best Lawyers*. Since 2012, the *International Who's Who* lists him among the world's leading practitioners in the areas of Business Crime Defence, Asset Recovery Lawyers and Commercial Litigation. In *The Legal 500*, Saverio Lembo has been listed among the leading individuals in Switzerland in *Dispute Resolution* since 2010.

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Peers and clients say: "Yves is unmissable in the Swiss market"
"He absolutely stands out"
"A top name for asset recovery in Switzerland"

Peers and clients say: "Saverio is one of, if not the best, lawyer in his jurisdiction"
"He is a specialist in complex investigatory matters"
"Mr Lembo is among the top white collar crime investigation lawyers in the space"

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Miguel Oural
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Miguel Oural is a partner in the litigation department of Lenz & Staehelin and divides his time between the offices in Geneva and Lausanne. He is an expert on national and international complex litigation. He advises individual and corporate clients on various criminal law matters, including international mutual legal assistance. Other areas of his practice include internal investigations, tort law, employment law and commercial and contract law.

Miguel Oural teaches criminal law at the Geneva Lawyers School (ECAV).

Miguel Oural graduated from the universities of Geneva and Zurich (1998) and was admitted to the Geneva Bar (2001). He also holds an LLM from Duke University School of Law, North Carolina (2003). In 2007 and 2008 he was a foreign associate in the dispute resolution group of the Spanish law firm Cuatrecasas, Gonçalves Pereira. Miguel Oural joined Lenz & Staehelin in 2003 and has been a partner since 2010. He speaks French, English and Spanish.

Chairman of the Geneva Bar Association, Miguel Oural is Vice-President of the Geneva Bar School (ECAV) and a member of the criminal law commission of the Geneva Bar Association. He is also a member of the Swiss Bar Association (SAV).

Lenz & Staehelin is one of the largest Swiss law firms with over 200 lawyers and with offices in Geneva, Zurich and Lausanne. Lenz & Staehelin's scope of activities covers all areas of business law for Swiss and international clientele.

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Peers and clients say: "Miguel is a dedicated and sharp asset recovery practitioner" "He is an excellent practitioner" "Miguel is someone that I highly regard"



Clara Poglia
Schellenberg Wittmer

Clara Poglia is a partner in Schellenberg Wittmer's Geneva office, where she co-heads the dispute resolution group. Clara's key areas of expertise and practice focus on white-collar crime, international mutual legal assistance both in criminal and tax matters, extradition, asset tracing and recovery, and internal corporate investigations. Clara is also specialized in regulatory and compliance issues. Clara regularly acts as counsel for both individuals and prominent corporate entities in criminal and administrative proceedings before cantonal and federal authorities and courts, including the Swiss Supreme Court.

Some of Clara's expertise includes: representation of a businessman in the frame of domestic criminal proceedings and international mutual legal assistance proceedings for alleged funds mismanagement and money laundering and assistance in the lifting of a freezing order targeting more than USD 900 million; representation of a high ranked individual of a financial institution in the context of criminal proceedings related to the violation of regulatory duties; and representation of a foreign company in the context of criminal proceedings dealt by the Federal Prosecutor Office for alleged money laundering of VAT carousel fraud's proceeds.

In 2018 Clara was recognized in the Global Investigation Review's (GIR) Women in Investigations List. In 2020, Clara was recognized in the GIR'S 40 under 40 list.

Clara is the chapter leader and co-founder of the Women in White Collar Defense Association's Swiss chapter.

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Blaise Stucki
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Founder of Geneva boutique law firm Stucki Legal, Blaise Stucki has an international legal and professional background and more than 20 years of experience in the fields of domestic and cross-border litigation for both individual and corporate clients.

His areas of practice include commercial litigation, international arbitration and international judicial assistance in civil and commercial matters (international discovery, recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments). He also routinely deals with issues concerning asset seizure and forfeiture in criminal fraud procedures.

Blaise Stucki acted as counsel, arbitrator and legal expert in numerous international arbitrations under a variety of arbitration rules.

In addition, he is the author of several publications which are frequently cited by courts and a regular speaker at conferences in his fields of practice.

Blaise Stucki graduated from the University of Geneva in 1996 and was admitted to the Geneva Bar in 2000. He holds a LL.M in Corporate and Commercial Law from the London School of Economics. In 2006, he joined the New York office of Debevoise & Plimpton LLP as a foreign associate. Before founding Stucki Legal, he was a partner in a major Swiss firm for 12 years.

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Peers and clients say: "He has acute legal reasoning, drafting skills and legal argumentation" "He is a very good tactician" "Blaise is always available and very good with clients"



Alexander Troller
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Alexander joined LALIVE in 1997, after holding inhouse positions for several years in both the chemical and banking sectors in Switzerland, France and the US. He specialises in litigation, with a focus on financial matters, asset recovery, corporate and shareholder disputes, white collar crime, estate and inheritance claims and employment conflicts, as well as judicial assistance in civil and criminal matters. He has expertise in a wide range of sectors including private clients, banking and finance, natural resources, construction and infrastructure.

Alexander's commercial experience and broad litigation practice give him a strong understanding of his clients' needs. He is aware of the complexities behind each dispute and ensures the best strategies are agreed, whether this is a swift strike, robust defence or gentle touch. One of his strengths is finding creative solutions for his clients.

Alexander has a record of pro-bono appointments, from earlier teachings for the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the International Monetary Fund (IMF) to continued assistance to various NGOs. In 2012, he was elected by hundreds of peers to the Council of the Geneva Bar Association, where he served until 2018. He speaks French, English and German.

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Peers and clients say: "Alexander Troller is a go-to Geneva lawyer"
"He is terrific at dealing with strategy in complex international litigation cases"
"Mr. Troller is an excellent asset recovery lawyer"



Daniel Tunik
Lenz & Staehelin

Daniel Tunik is a partner in the litigation and arbitration group of Lenz & Staehelin in Geneva and is active in both court litigation and international arbitration. His fields of activities cover all forms of commercial disputes, notably in the banking sector. He is also active in the areas of insolvency law, white-collar crime and employment disputes. Daniel Tunik graduated from the University of Geneva (1990). He holds a diploma of higher studies from the Geneva Graduate Institute for International Studies (1991) and an LLM from Georgetown University Law Center (1992). Daniel Tunik was admitted to the New York Bar (1992) and to the Geneva Bar (1994). He joined Lenz & Staehelin in 1995 and has been a partner since 2001. He speaks English, French, Spanish and German.

Daniel Tunik is a member of the following professional associations: Geneva Bar Association (OdA) and the Swiss Lawyers Federation (member of the anti-money laundering self-regulatory organisation committee). Lenz & Staehelin is one of the largest Swiss law firms with over 200 lawyers and with offices in Geneva, Zurich and Lausanne. Lenz & Staehelin's scope of activities cover all areas of business law for Swiss and international clients.

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Peers and clients say: "Daniel Tunik is an outstanding litigator and a reference in our industry"
"Daniel is a discrete and smart thinker"
"He is an extremely intelligent lawyer"

Zurich



Peter Burckhardt
Schellenberg Wittmer

Peter Burckhardt is a partner and head of Schellenberg Wittmer's dispute resolution group in Zurich, as well as the white-collar crime and internal corporate investigations teams. Peter, a former state prosecutor in the Canton of Berne, has a wealth of experience in criminal, regulatory and civil litigation matters. He has conducted many internal investigations and has acted as defence counsel for corporations and individuals in law enforcement proceedings of both Swiss and foreign (notably, US and UK) prosecutors and regulators, and before the Swiss courts at all levels.

Examples of Peter Burckhardt's expertise include: representation of Odebrecht and Braskem in the Petrobras corruption case. The resolution, which rested on a trilateral (Brazil, US and Switzerland) international agreement, was deemed a landmark novel approach in international corruption cases, and resulted in the largest corruption settlement worldwide; and representation of Credit Suisse in the US cross-border tax investigation. Peter conducted the internal investigation and represented the client before all law enforcement agencies and political bodies taking an interest in the matter, including in the US.

Peter is a member of various professional associations, including the Zurich and Swiss Bar Associations, the International Bar Association, the European Criminal Bar Association, and the Swiss Arbitration Association.

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Peers and clients say: "Peter is top rated in his respective areas of legal advice"
"Mr Burckhardt is consistently working on the most important national and transnational cases"
"Peter is a highly recommended lawyer for asset recovery"

Switzerland • Zurich



Michele Caratsch
Baldi & Caratsch

Michele Caratsch holds a law degree from the University of Zurich and a master of laws degree from New York University School of Law. He was admitted to the Zurich Bar in 1992 and to the New York Bar in 1995. He is a partner at Baldi & Caratsch.

He has extensive experience in the field of transnational civil and fraud litigation, arbitration and cross-border insolvency, and has been litigating and coordinating transnational asset recovery proceedings before civil, criminal and bankruptcy courts on behalf of victims of economic crimes, leading specialist teams of lawyers, forensic accountants and investigators.

He has represented victims of economic crimes, both companies and individuals, in criminal and civil recovery proceedings, by way of filing criminal complaints and lodging claims for damages. Most recently he has been acting as Swiss co-counsel to Stanford International Bank Ltd (in liquidation), Antigua, in view of recovering the proceeds of what has been qualified as the second-largest Ponzi scheme in history.

Michele Caratsch is the Swiss representative of ICC FraudNet, a global network of leading attorneys in anti-fraud litigation, operating under the auspices of the International Chamber of Commerce.

His publications include the co-authorship to the Swiss section of *Asset Tracing & Recovery: the FraudNet World Compendium* (Erich Schmidt Verlag, 2009), and he speaks on a regular basis at international conferences on these topics.

Michele Caratsch speaks fluent German, English and Italian, and has a working knowledge of Portuguese and Spanish.

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Peers and clients say: "Michele is an excellent asset recovery lawyer"
"His trial experience stands out"
"He is frequently available for advice, which is always sound"



Urs Feller
Prager Dreifuss Ltd

Dr Urs Feller heads the litigation and arbitration team of Prager Dreifuss, one of Switzerland's leading firms for commercial law. After graduating in 1998 with a PhD in law (*summa cum laude*) from University of Zurich, he worked in first and second instance courts in Switzerland. He is admitted to practise throughout Switzerland (1999). In 2002, he was admitted as Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales (not practising). Urs has been a partner with Prager Dreifuss Ltd since 2008.

He specialises in commercial and banking litigation with a focus on complex international cases. He frequently deals with asset recovery matters involving civil, criminal and bankruptcy proceedings, regularly related to white-collar crime and mutual legal assistance proceedings. He has assisted individuals, foreign entities and also several foreign states/foreign sovereign funds in the recovery of illicit funds. Urs Feller has first-hand experience when dealing with Swiss authorities such as the Attorney General's Office, the Federal Department of Justice, the Federal Criminal Court and the Federal Supreme Court. Moreover, Urs Feller has worked with non-governmental organisations and United Nations branches in repatriation cases.

Urs Feller co-authored articles in the leading commentary on the Swiss Civil Procedural Code. He is former vice chair of the executive committee of the International Bar Association's litigation section. He is also a member of STEP and regularly advises clients on trusts, foundations and inheritance matters including disputes in that area.

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"He is very thorough and knowledgeable"
"I am impressed by his thoroughness, reactivity and pragmatism"



Niccolò Gozzi
Niedermann Rechtsanwälte

Niccolò Gozzi is a partner of the law firm Niedermann Attorneys-at-Law, a dispute resolution boutique firm. Owing to such practice focus, Niedermann Attorneys-at-Law is virtually conflict-free.

Niccolò Gozzi specialises in commercial dispute resolution as well as mutual legal assistance matters. His asset recovery practice covers in particular freezing of assets and the enforcement of foreign judgments, including the import of foreign (worldwide) freezing orders, in Switzerland. He regularly advises and represents clients in cross-border disputes and draws on a wide range of experience gained in asset recovery matters involving civil, regulatory, criminal and bankruptcy proceedings.

Niccolò Gozzi, born 1973, is a graduate of University of Chicago School of Law (LLM, 2003) and the University of Zurich (lic iur, 1997, magna cum laude; Dr iur, 2009, magna cum laude), and is admitted to the Swiss Bar (2001). He regularly publishes on Swiss procedural law. He served as a clerk at the District Court of Zurich and is fluent in English, German and French.

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Peers and clients say: "He is always my first choice for asset recovery matters in Switzerland"
"He has lots of experience in asset recovery cases and is a highly persuasive advocate in civil and criminal proceedings"



Matthias Gstoehl
LALIVE

Matthias Gstoehl specialises in complex domestic and multi-jurisdictional proceedings and investigations, including fraud and white-collar crime, asset recovery, insolvency, international mutual assistance, international sanctions and ESG-litigation.

His practice focuses on banking and finance disputes. Drawing on first-hand experience in the sector, he handles complex matters requiring specialist knowledge in derivative instruments, hedge funds and financial products in general. He regularly acts in contentious corporate, commercial and governance disputes across various sectors (healthcare, natural resources, sports and trusts).

Matthias Gstoehl is Diversity and Inclusion Officer of the IBA Anti-Corruption Committee, and a member of the expert group for digitalization of the Swiss Bar Association. He is further a member of the International Association of Restructuring, Insolvency & Bankruptcy Professionals (INSOL) and the Zurich Bar Association.

He is a frequent speaker and moderator at international conferences.

Before joining LALIVE, Matthias Gstoehl was a partner at Nater Dallafior (2012 – 2017), worked in derivatives structuring at two leading investment banks in London and Zurich (2006 – 2012), as an associate for Bär & Karrer in Zurich (2001 – 2005) and as a trainee for Froriep in Geneva (1998 – 2000).

Matthias Gstoehl studied law at the Universities of Vienna and Geneva (lic.iur, 1998) and completed postgraduate studies in Finance at London Business School (MSc in Finance, 2006).

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“Matthias has significant experience in asset recovery”
“He takes a collaborative approach”



Nicolas Herzog
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Nicolas Herzog is a partner of the law firm Niedermann Attorneys-at-Law, a pure-play dispute resolution boutique firm, which owing to its practice focus is virtually conflict-free.

Nicolas Herzog’s practice is an epitome of commercial litigation. He advises and represents clients from various industries and guides them through the entire litigation process. He is regularly retained in cross-border disputes, and draws on a wide range of experience gained in financial, commercial lease, shareholder, joint venture, licensing and fraud litigations. Instructions regularly include enforcement of foreign judgments in Switzerland, obtaining attachment orders and other injunctive relief. Of note are also assignments in which English court orders such as receivership and worldwide freezing orders had to be recognised and enforced in Switzerland. Notable clients are active in the telecommunications, financial and real estate industries. He also sits as arbitrator and advocates as party counsel before arbitral tribunals.

Nicolas Herzog, born 1969, is a graduate of New York University School of Law (LLM, 2004) and the University of Zurich (Dr iur, 1999, summa cum laude), and is admitted to the Swiss Bar (2001). He is a member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators and the International Council for Commercial Arbitration, and regularly publishes on Swiss procedural law. He served as a clerk at the Swiss Federal Supreme Court and is fluent in English, German and French, with a working knowledge of Spanish.

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Peers and clients say: *“He is a leading litigator”*
“Nicolas is one of the best out there”
“I recommend him very warmly”



Simone Nadelhofer
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Simone Nadelhofer is a partner in LALIVE’s litigation team in Zurich. She has more than 20 years’ experience in complex domestic and cross-border proceedings and internal and government investigations related to anti-corruption, money laundering, fraud and white-collar, tax crimes and ESG-related issues. She litigates and coordinates asset tracing and recovery proceedings on behalf of victims of financial crime and parties seeking to enforce claims against assets concealed in Switzerland and across jurisdictions. She also advises on international mutual assistance in criminal and tax matters and international sanctions.

She represents individuals, companies and liquidators and receivers of foreign insolvencies, before civil, criminal and bankruptcy courts in Switzerland.

Simone Nadelhofer is ranked among the 100 Women in Investigations 2021 worldwide by Global Investigations Review. She is Corporate Counsel Forum Liaison Officer of the IBA’s Business Crime Committee, Chair of the Anti-corruption and the Rule of Law Committee at the Inter Pacific Bar Association (IPBA) and a member of the advisory board of the Master Economic Crime Investigations studies at the Lucerne University. Simone Nadelhofer is a member of several professional associations, including the Swiss Association of Experts in Economic Crime Investigation, the Zurich and Swiss Bar Association and the European Criminal Bar Association (ECBA). Simone is a regular speaker at conferences and publishes in her areas of expertise, recently she co-edited and authored the first edition of The Guide to Internal Investigations in Switzerland.

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Peers and clients say: *“Simone excels at handling the Swiss side of negotiations smoothly and efficiently”*
“She is very swift and great to work with”
“She is a keen observer who knows her stuff”

Switzerland • Zurich



Tina Wüstemann
Bär & Karrer Ltd

Tina Wüstemann heads Bär & Karrer’s Private Wealth Clients practice group.

She has extensive experience in advising Swiss and foreign private clients, executives as well as entrepreneurs regarding complex estate and succession planning matters including trusts, prenuptial agreements, wills and relocations to Switzerland. She also advises charitable foundations and represents clients in contentious trust and estate matters as well as the administration of large international estates.

In Chambers and Partners HNW 2021, Tina Wüstemann is listed in Tier 1 for Private Wealth Law in Switzerland. She has been awarded by Who’s Who Legal as Private Client Lawyer of the Year 2021 (global) and Lawyer of the Year 2019 (Switzerland), and she is listed as Thought Leader in Global Elite 2021 (Private Client), Global Leader 2021 and National Leader Switzerland 2021 (Private Client). Furthermore, Citywealth names Tina Wüstemann in 2020 as one of the Top 100 trust litigators and lists her among the Top Ten Powerwomen Trust Litigators worldwide. Citywealth further awarded her in 2018 with gold as “Woman of the Year - Leadership (Professional Services)”. In 2022, Tina Wüstemann was also awarded with the Europe Women in Business Law Award 2022 as ‘Best in trusts & estates’, marking the sixth time she has received this recognition following 2021, 2020, 2019, 2017 and 2014.

Bär & Karrer is a leading Swiss law firm with more than 170 lawyers in Zurich, Geneva, Lugano, Zug and Basel. Its core business is advising clients on innovative and complex transactions and representing them in litigation, arbitration and regulatory proceedings. The firm’s clients range from multinational corporations to private individuals in Switzerland and around the world.

Bär & Karrer has been repeatedly awarded Switzerland’s Law Firm of the Year by the most important international legal ranking agencies in recent years.

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Edward H Davis Jr
Sequor Law

Edward H Davis, Jr, a founding shareholder of Sequor Law in Miami, heads the firm’s asset recovery and financial fraud group, which represents victims of serious fraud and grand corruption including governments, corporations, insolvency practitioners and individuals by investigating and prosecuting civil fraud and asset recovery actions. The group has pursued assets in the Caribbean, Asia, Europe, Latin America and North America, including numerous so-called secrecy havens. He and his firm have helped to develop and expand various creative discovery and asset seizure methodologies to obtain recoveries for clients of the firm. He has both led and worked collaboratively on various civil asset recovery teams – another concept he helped pioneer – on cross-border asset recovery engagements. He has championed and coordinated asset recovery efforts between civil and criminal systems as a means to penetrate and defeat complex opaque asset-hiding structures used by fraudsters. Mr Davis was recently recognized by *Latinvex* as one of “Latin America’s top 100 lawyers” in 2020 for his efforts in this practice area.

Rated “AV preeminent” by *Martindale-Hubbell*, Davis, a highly recognized and sought-after leader in his field, is also a certified fraud examiner and has lectured before the International Association of Financial Crime Investigators. Davis was recognized by Best Lawyers in the 27th Edition of The Best Lawyers in America in 2020 for high caliber of work in the practice areas of Bet-the-Company Litigation, Commercial Litigation, International Arbitration – Commercial, and Litigation – Banking and Finance and was selected by Lawdragon Global 500 as a leading Restructuring & Insolvency Lawyer in 2020. Other memberships include the anti-corruption, international litigation and inter-American law committees of the international law section of the American Bar Association; Davis was the executive director of the London-based ICC Commercial Crimes Services FraudNet network.

In addition, he served as the inaugural chair of the asset recovery sub-committee of the International Bar Association anti-corruption committee. He sits on the advisory boards of Offshore Alert, C5 - Fraud, Asset Tracing & Recovery, and the Global Investigation Review and assisted in drafting the certified specialist in asset recovery (CSAR) examination.

Admitted to practice in Florida and before the US District Courts for the Southern and Middle Districts of Florida and the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals, Davis is also a member of the Florida Bar’s international law section for which he has served as the chair, chair-elect, secretary, treasurer, and on the executive council. He is the founding chair of its international litigation/arbitration committee. Davis is also a member of the Bankruptcy Bar of the Southern District of Florida, the American Bankruptcy Institute, as well as the International Committee of the National Association of Federal Equity Receivers.

Davis was also the recipient of the Florida Bar G Kirk Haas Humanitarian Award for organizing aid to Haitian victims of the 2010 earthquake. In 2013, he was named Global Lawyer of the Year by *Who’s Who Legal* for asset recovery, its first ever award in that field (winning again in 2014, 2015 and 2016). His firm also won the *Who’s Who Legal* Firm of the Year Award for asset recovery in 2015 and 2016. In 2015, Edward Davis was honoured by the University of Miami School of Law’s *Inter-American Law Review* as the 33rd recipient of the Lawyer of the America Awards for making significant contributions in the field of international law in the Americas.

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“Her style is friendly, efficient and thorough”

Peers and clients say: “Mr Davis Jr is the doyen of asset recovery in Miami”
“He is one of the best US lawyers in asset recovery”
“Edward is simply the gold standard in the asset recovery market”



Arnaldo B Lacayo
Sequor Law

Arnaldo Lacayo focuses his international litigation practice on financial fraud, asset recovery and cross-border insolvency. He has experience litigating complex disputes in both state and federal courts, and has represented multinational corporations, sovereign governments, receivers, trustees and other foreign officeholders in matters pending in US courts. Lacayo regularly supervises transnational investigations and has instructed counsel in dozens of jurisdictions. Lacayo also has extensive experience working with the versatile 28 USC § 1782 discovery statute, and Chapter 15 of the US Bankruptcy Code.

Published cases in which Lacayo has participated include: *In Re Massa Falida do Banco Cruzeiro do Sul, SA*, 567 BR 212 (US Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of Florida, 2017) [affirming right of Chapter 15 foreign representative to assert state law fraudulent conveyance claims or other avoidance actions]; and *Application of Consorcio Ecuatoriano de Telecomunicaciones SA v JAS Forwarding (USA)*, 747 F3d 1262 (11th Circuit, 2014) [affirming the applicability of the 28 USC § 1782 discovery statute in support of contemplated foreign proceedings].

Lacayo's recent speaking engagements include: lecturing at Florida International University College of Law for a course on fundamental aspects of US law including litigation and arbitration; and delivering a presentation titled "Trouble in Paradise: Everything You Need to Know About Beneficial Ownership, Transparency and Disclosure" at the C5 Fraud, Asset Tracing and Recovery conference in Geneva, Switzerland. Lacayo has also contributed and co-authored various papers and chapters, including a chapter in the recently published book *Obtaining Evidence for Use in International Tribunals Under 28 USC Section 1782*; and the US chapter in *The FraudNet World Compendium on Asset Tracing and Recovery*.

Lacayo is an active member of the Florida Bar International Law Section, an organisation with more than 1,000 members; he recently concluded his year as chair of the section, and continues to serve on its Executive Council. Lacayo is also active in the International Association of Young Lawyers (AIJA), where he currently serves as president of the litigation commission.

As a native Spanish speaker, prior to settling in South Florida, Lacayo lived and studied in Latin America. Lacayo is a cum laude graduate of the University of Miami School of Law. As the articles and comments editor for the *University of Miami Inter-American Law Review*, he authored "Seeking a Balance: International Pharmaceutical Patent Protection, Public Health Crises and The Emerging Threat of Bio-Terrorism" for the *Review* (2002, volume 33, number 2, p.295), for which he won the 2003 Burton Award for Legal Achievement, an award presented annually by the Burton Foundation in association with the Library of Congress. He graduated magna cum laude from the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Indiana.

Lacayo is admitted to all Florida state courts; the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals; the District Courts for the Southern and Middle Districts of Florida; and the US Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Florida.

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Peers and clients say: "I would highly recommend Arnaldo"
"Arnaldo's written work is always very carefully drafted"
"His advice on matters of foreign recognition (in the US) and unique tactics for pre-action discovery are incredibly useful tools"

New York



Oren J Warshavsky
BakerHostetler

Oren Warshavsky excels as a litigator and asset-recovery attorney specialising in multi-jurisdictional proceedings. He co-chairs BakerHostetler's international asset-tracing and recovery team, and since 2008 has been a key member of the team working for Irving Picard, the SIPA trustee overseeing the liquidation of Bernard L Madoff Securities.

In his work for the SIPA trustee, Warshavsky has overseen and worked with teams of lawyers in the US and around the world to trace and recover assets lost in the infamous Ponzi scheme perpetrated by Madoff. To date, his team has secured favourable results in claims against various individuals, funds and financial institutions. The total recovery by the trustee and the BakerHostetler team has been unprecedented: more than \$13 billion. The protracted investigation and recovery in a variety of these cases has demonstrated Warshavsky's ability to work diligently and resourcefully across multiple jurisdictions.

He also has served as a lead lawyer for various other notable cases, including acting for Bruno Iksil, a former JPMorgan Chase lawyer referred to as "the London Whale." After a multi-jurisdictional investigation by various law enforcement and regulatory bodies from numerous jurisdictions around the world, Warshavsky and his team secured rare non-prosecution agreements, and Iksil was not prosecuted in any jurisdiction.

With his understanding of international litigation and the global financial industry, Warshavsky also advises clients about the intricacies and potential pitfalls related to the burgeoning field of cryptocurrency.

His background includes extensive experience in the area of intellectual property, especially with complex patent, trademark, copyright and commercial disputes. He is recommended in *Chambers USA*, *The Legal 500* and *Best Lawyers in America*.

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Gonzalo S Zeballos
BakerHostetler

Gonzalo Zeballos specialises in cross-border fraud investigations, asset-tracing and asset recovery. He is skilled at working across disciplines in multiple jurisdictions, implementing innovative investigative strategies to uncover fraud and corruption, and bringing redress to victims.

Notable among his accomplishments, Zeballos has led and managed, since 2009, the international investigations and asset-recovery efforts linked to the infamous Bernard Madoff Ponzi scheme. To date, more than \$14 billion in assets have been recovered in the case, the largest of its kind in US history.

Zeballos has been involved in litigation, arbitration, investigations and recovery efforts in countless civil and common law jurisdictions. In addition to his work on the *Madoff* case, Zeballos is leading a multimillion-dollar asset-recovery action for HMB Holdings, which involves proceedings in the United States, Canada and Germany against the government of Antigua. He is also working on several other confidential cross-border asset-recovery matters and has acted as an expert witness for foreign courts on issues of US law.

For his work, Zeballos has been recognised by *The Legal 500* in the area of international litigation. He is a sought-after speaker on matters of fraud and asset tracing in sovereign states and about how he implements creative strategies and recovery tools while executing cross-border recovery efforts.

A member of the International Bar Association, the American Bar Association and the Hispanic Bar Association, Zeballos prides himself on giving back to the community. He dedicates himself to providing a significant amount of pro bono legal services each year.

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 "I consider him to be a leading lawyer in the area"

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LEADING FIRMS

Grant Thornton

Will Davies is a favourite among peers and clients, who recommend him as “a great expert” in the asset recovery space.

David Ingram receives extensive endorsements from sources for his asset recovery practice and is lauded for his “impressive willingness to tackle a difficult case where there are no funds in the estate”.

Nick Wood enjoys comprehensive recommendations from peers for his expertise in asset recovery and is an expert who “understands the drivers of a case and where to go”.

Kevin Hellard is a standout name in the onshore asset recovery market, with sources reporting he is “a legend and a hugely effective expert”.

Steve Holt sits among the very best asset recovery experts currently practising and is described as “a truly excellent practitioner”.

Kroll

Steve Cornmell has built a leading asset recovery practice, with market commentators

recognising him as “an outstanding asset recovery expert”.

Benedict Hamilton specialises in digital investigations and is singled out by respondents as a go-to in the asset recovery space.

Zoë Newman takes a spot among the foremost asset recovery experts in the world and comes recommended as “an experienced and hard-working expert, with the utmost integrity”.

Geoff Varga is a respected name in the global asset recovery market, with over 25 years of experience with forensic investigations, litigation and restructurings.

BDO

Gervase MacGregor is identified by peers and clients as a key name in the asset recovery market and describe him as “a big player” in the space.

Malcolm Cohen is singled out by sources as a top-notch asset recovery expert and is recommended as “an insightful and measured expert who never loses sight of the big picture”.

Glenn Pomerantz is a leading name in asset recovery, with market commentators readily endorsing him as a fast and reliable expert whose practice has global coverage”.

Alvarez & Marsal

Daniel Barton collects widespread plaudits for his work as an asset recovery expert, thanks to his “profound experience in forensic accounting investigations”.

Julian Jones “is exceptionally experienced at running complex multi-jurisdictional asset recovery matters”.

Carl Bowles is a well-established asset recovery specialist, with 15 years of experience with asset tracing and contentious insolvency matters.

Edward Middleton is a highly experienced expert, who brings over 20 years of experience in high-profile insolvencies and restructuring in Asia.

OTHER LEADING INDIVIDUALS

Australia

Matthew Fleming at KordaMentha is recognised by peers as a leading asset recovery expert in Australia, with extensive experience in global fraud and corruption investigations.

England

Ian Casewell of Mintz Group heads the London office and enjoys considerable acclaim from peers for his sterling work on large-scale, cross-border asset tracing and recovery cases.

Ashley Messick with GPW + Co is a favourite among peers and clients, who describe her as “a good practitioner who comes up with creative solutions to problems”.

Greyhawk’s **Steven Haynes** is appreciated as ‘a charming expert’ in the market, with a stellar track record with asset recovery and investigations matters.

Hong Kong

Neill Poole at Ankura is a distinguished asset recovery market in Hong Kong, with over 16 years of experience with forensic accounting and financial investigations.

Netherlands

Gerrie Lenting with Deloitte Financial Advisory comes with considerable endorsements from peers and clients for his excellent work on global investigations and forensic issues.

Blockint’s **Ludo Block** is a pre-eminent name in the European asset recovery market, with over 30 years of experience with multi-jurisdictional investigations issues and forensic matters.

Singapore

Jarrod Baker at Deloitte receives widespread recommendations for his practice, which spans multi-jurisdictional fraud and financial crime investigations.

USA

Jim Mintz with Mintz Group is one of the USA’s leading asset recovery experts, with market sources confirming that he is “extremely good at conducting investigations” all over the world.

Nardello & Co’s **Daniel Nardello** is a firm favourite of the US asset recovery market, earning praise as “the go-to person for the largest, most complex mandates” in the space.

Stanley Foodman at Foodman CPAs & Advisors has built a stellar forensic accounting practice that is recognised by peers and clients as a leading firm in the US market.

OFFSHORE

Global Elite Thought Leaders

Angela Barkhouse

Quantuma Advisory Limited
Grand Cayman

Alex Lawson

Alvarez & Marsal
Grand Cayman

Margot MacInnis

Grant Thornton
Grand Cayman

Paul Pretlove

Kalo
Tortola

Matthew Richardson

Grant Thornton
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John Royle

Grant Thornton
Grand Cayman

LEADING FIRMS

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Hugh Dickson receives extensive acclaim from market commentators for his work in the asset recovery space, which focuses on complex restructuring and insolvency issues.

Margot MacInnis sits among the foremost asset recovery specialist in the offshore asset recovery market, and is described as “a hard-working, smart and passionate expert”.

Matthew Richardson is recognised by peers as an accomplished figure in the offshore asset recovery space. He is also well-versed in cross-border insolvency and fraud investigation matters.

John Royle is appreciated by sources for providing “straightforward forward,

commercially focused advice which is aimed at achieving the right results for the client”.

FTI Consulting

Andrew Durant is a well-recognised as global asset recovery expert, who has over 20 years of experience with forensic accounting and regulatory investigations.

David Griffin is identified as a standout name in the asset recovery market by peers, who brings over 20 years of experience in restructuring, insolvency and asset recovery issues.

Andrew Morrison is a highly impressive asset recovery specialist, with over 23 years of experience with asset recovery, restructuring and money laundering issues.

KPMG

Chris Farmer has built and maintained a top-tier asset recovery practice, and peers recognise him as a practitioner who has “a very strong reputation” in the space.

Kris Beighton is described by peers and clients as “a very well-respected expert”, with 20 years of experience in cross-border restructuring and insolvency matters.

John Lopez is held in high esteem by peers and clients in the asset recovery space, who say he is “very well-known in the jurisdiction, to the point that he is a brand in of himself”.

OTHER LEADING INDIVIDUALS

British Virgin Islands

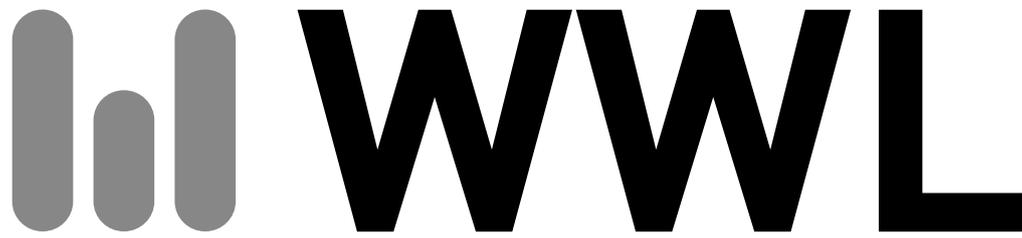
Paul Pretlove at Kalo is recognised among the finest asset recovery specialists in the jurisdiction, who brings 15 years of experience with offshore asset tracing and fraud investigations.

Cayman Islands

Angela Barkhouse of Quantum Advisory Limited enjoys extensive praise for her practice, with peers saying she is “a clever expert with a unique focus on corruption-related matters”.

Eleanor Fisher with Ernst & Young is singled out by market commentators as a go-to in the Cayman Islands for restructuring and recovery matters.

Krys Global’s **Kenneth Kryz** impresses peers across the globe with his asset recovery expertise saying that “if you need a tenacious expert, look no further than Kenneth”.



EXPERT WITNESSES

Editorial policy and selection criteria

Nominees have been selected based on comprehensive, independent survey work with both general counsel and private practitioners worldwide.

Only specialists who have met independent international research criteria are listed.

British Virgin Islands



David Bennett
Grant Thornton

David Bennett leads Grant Thornton's insolvency and asset recovery business in the British Virgin Islands (BVI). Prior to this, David established and led Grant Thornton's restructuring and insolvency team in Hong Kong and China where he was involved in some of the largest insolvency, restructuring and dispute cases in the region.

David's experience is extensive and involves leading restructurings and the taking of insolvency appointments. David also takes director roles should this be a more appropriate route. In this regard, David has taken directorships in Hong Kong, BVI, Cayman Islands, Israel, the Netherlands, Germany and Trinidad including being appointed by the High Court in Hong Kong as an independent director of a trading company which was the subject of allegations of misfeasance and fraud.

David has also acted as liquidator in numerous jurisdictions including the UK, Hong Kong, Cayman Islands, BVI and Bermuda. Furthermore, David has worked on insolvency and restructuring matters in Hong Kong and China, the US, Europe, India, Vietnam, Indonesia and Trinidad. He has dealt with matters involving numerous other jurisdictions including Malaysia, Taiwan, Cambodia, Macau, and many others.

His experience involves investigations into corporate fraud in insolvency related matters and covers numerous sectors. David also acts in asset recovery matters and has been appointed by creditors to seize and realise private aircraft and yachts located in various jurisdictions. The value of assets recovered exceeds USD150m.

David joined Grant Thornton in 2010 in the UK before transferring to Hong Kong to set up the restructuring and insolvency team. David qualified as an accountant and obtained his UK insolvency licence at a Big 4 firm in the UK where he worked for over 15 years. Whilst he has principally worked in the restructuring and insolvency space, he also spent several years working in Lead Advisory Corporate Finance working on valuations, MBO's and strategic advice.

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Peers and clients say: "David brings with him a big reputation to cases"
"Mr Bennett's work over the last few years has been market leading"
"He and his team are very responsive"



James Pomeroy
Grant Thornton

James Pomeroy heads Grant Thornton's Forensics practice in the BVI, Cayman Islands, and the Eastern Caribbean. James is a director with over 26 years of experience, 21 of which with a big four accountancy firm.

His experience ranges from financial auditing to insolvency, forensic accounting, asset recovery, and investigations. He is a Chartered Professional Accountant, a Fellow of INSOL, and a Certified Fraud Examiner.

James is a seasoned forensic accountant experienced in matters relating to offshore financial and asset protection structures; political corruption; business intelligence and integrity due diligence; commercial disputes; forensic technology, and international asset tracing and recovery.

He thrives in a team environment and enjoys supporting and collaborating with legal counsel to unwind complex structures and find hidden assets, whether to enforce judgments or maximize realisations for governments or to insolvent estates.

James has experience in investigations, asset recovery, and judgement enforcement matters originating in jurisdictions throughout the offshore financial sector, in the Caribbean region, Latin America, Canada, Switzerland, the US, and Hong Kong. He has experience with insolvency-based asset tracing & recovery assignments in jurisdictions around the world.

James thrives on pulling the threads and turning over the stones that reveal pivotal information that opens up a case for the recovery team.

Sources note that James "stands out for his Insolvency law knowledge"

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Peers and clients say: "He is well-respected in the space"
"I regard him to be an important practitioner in asset recovery"
"He is adept at using great technology and rigorous forensic procedures"

Cayman Islands



Angela Barkhouse
Quantuma Advisory Limited

Angela leads the Cross Border Asset Recovery Group for Quantuma and is head of the Caribbean practice. She is an expert in financial investigations, offshore asset tracing and recovery, data analysis and intelligence.

Angela has led high-profile and complex matters in fraud, corruption, financial misconduct, conflicts of interest and stolen sovereign wealth; and made cross-border asset recoveries for both onshore and offshore jurisdictions. She has acted as liquidator and controller/receiver over entities in the BVI and Cayman Islands to ensure asset preservation and enforce judgments on behalf of claimants. Angela also provides independent expert support to international government organisations and global financial institutions for anti-corruption and integrity investigations.

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Peers and clients say: "Angela has strong cross-border experience working on engagements outside of the norm"
"She is both eminently experienced and amazingly practical"
"Her strengths are her industry knowledge, perseverance and commercial understanding; above all, she is excellent with clients"



Hugh Dickson
Grant Thornton Specialist Services

Hugh Dickson is the global head of Grant Thornton's restructuring and recovery service, covering 140 jurisdictions. His current asset recovery cases include multibillion-dollar cases such as Saad International, Singularis and Stanford International Bank.

Hugh was an early adopter of third-party funding to finance recoveries in estates with limited liquidity, including hallmark cases such as Daiwa bank – a landmark case where a bank was found liable under the Quincecare principle for a common law duty of care to a client company, notwithstanding exculpatory contractual clauses, and an illegality defence – recovering over \$150 million, and litigation to recover several hundred million dollars frozen by a Department of Justice MLAT process.

Hugh's current litigation caseload for the recovery of foreclosed assets or damages exceeds \$5 billion, spanning 7 financial institutions. He sits on the take on panel for Grant Thornton's Asset Recovery Fund, a vehicle to finance asset recovery cases.

Hugh has extensive cross border experience working in common law and other jurisdictions where traditional cross border recognition approaches may be impossible or unwieldy, ranging from the recovery of a superyacht subject to a Turkish shipyard lien through to recovering over \$500 million of assets subject to Swiss parallel proceedings and freezing orders across three different estates.

Hugh's other experience ranges from trading large, distressed corporates to governmental interventions into state owned enterprises or distressed sectors. The latter includes roles for the IMF, World Bank, and the European Union, as well as advising eight governments and regulatory bodies on restructuring, financial sector intervention and related legislation. He chairs INSOL International's Technical Committee and sits on the Cayman Islands Grand Court Financial Services User Group.

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Peers and clients say: "Hugh is a highly rated expert in the Cayman Islands"
"A leading insolvency and asset recovery expert"

Cayman Islands



Niall Goodsir-Cullen
BDO

Niall is a consultant for BDO Cayman Ltd's corporate recovery and insolvency subsidiary, BDO CRI (Cayman) Ltd.

Niall has over 45 years of experience in the international financial sector in the Cayman Islands, London, Tokyo and New York. He first provided financial institutions with Cayman Islands regulatory, accounting, administrative and liquidation services advice in the late-1970s. He presently undertakes financial services sector insolvency and restructuring appointments as well as litigation and forensic investigation engagements.

Niall is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

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Chris Kennedy
Alvarez & Marsal

Chris Kennedy is a Managing Director of the A&M Cayman Islands team and is a qualified Cayman Islands Insolvency Practitioner. With over 15 years' experience, he specializes in corporate advisory, restructuring and insolvency. He also acts as a director in distressed situations. Mr. Kennedy has developed a reputation as an industry leader in the offshore restructuring market and has been recognized as an expert in the field by "Who's Who Legal."

Since moving to the Cayman Islands in 2009, Mr. Kennedy has been appointed to act as a voluntary, provisional or official liquidator, inspector, receiver and director. These engagements vary in nature from consensual, soft-wind solutions for solvent entities, through to litigious, multi-jurisdictional fraud investigations and asset recovery focused liquidations. Mr. Kennedy has a deep background with cross-border liquidations, with experience in leading engagements spanning the US, South America, Europe, the Middle-East and Asia and he is often engaged on matters involving close cooperation with colleagues in the US, Dubai, Hong Kong and the People's Republic of China.

Mr. Kennedy is a Chartered Accountant (Ireland), a CIMA registered Director, and an associate of the Chartered Institute for Securities and Investment (CISI) in the UK. He is also a member of the Cayman Island Society for Professional Accountants (CISPA), the International Association of Restructuring, Insolvency & Bankruptcy Professionals (INSOL International), the Cayman Island chapter of INSOL, and the American Bankruptcy Institute.

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Peers and clients say: "Chris' grasp of case details is second to none"
"Mr Kennedy is a particularly impressive asset recovery expert"
"He has strong experience with liquidation cases as well"



Alex Lawson
Alvarez & Marsal

Alex Lawson is a managing director and the head of A&M Cayman Islands and is a qualified Cayman Islands insolvency practitioner.

He brings over 15 years of experience in restructuring and specialises in offshore and cross-border engagements. His primary areas of concentration include hedge funds and PE funds, mining, oil and gas and alternative investments.

Mr Lawson leads international teams focused on delivering bespoke solutions to maximise stakeholder returns across stressed to distressed situations involving complex cross-border cases. With a strong focus across all hedge funds and PE funds, international corporations and conglomerates, Mr Lawson has developed a reputation as an industry leader in the offshore restructuring market and has been recognised as an expert in the field by Who's Who Legal.

Mr Lawson has been appointed by the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands as an inspector, provisional liquidator, and official liquidator to many high-profile cases. In addition, he has been appointed as a controller by CIMA and acted as voluntary liquidator to many Cayman Islands registered companies. Outside of the Cayman Islands, he has been appointed joint liquidator by the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court over British Virgin Islands companies and has been recognised in the Courts of Norway, Hong Kong, Dubai, United States and Australia.

Prior to joining A&M, Mr Lawson worked at KPMG in the Cayman Islands for ten years and was a partner in the restructuring practice.

Peers and clients say: "Niall has vast experience in insolvency and asset recovery matters"
"He's a senior statesman in the market"



Margot MacInnis
Grant Thornton Specialist Services

Mr Lawson earned bachelor's degrees in both commerce and law from the University of Queensland. He is an admitted lawyer (non-practising) with the Supreme Court of Queensland, Australia and is a CPI and JIEB pass holder with the Insolvency Practitioners Association of England and Wales and member of INSOL and the Cayman Islands RISA chapter. Mr Lawson is an insolvency practitioner in the Cayman Islands and chartered accountant (Australia and New Zealand) as well as a member of the Cayman Islands Society for Professional Accountants (CISPA).

Margot MacInnis leads Grant Thornton's Cayman Islands practice and her work focuses on international cross-border restructuring, insolvency, and asset tracing. With 25 years of cross-border and offshore experience, Margot has overseen matters which range from small fraud and asset tracing assignments, to large and complex multi-billion dollar, multi-jurisdiction engagements.

Margot is regularly appointed in a fiduciary capacity by the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands and continues to work as a recognised foreign representative in other legal systems, including the United States, Canada, Switzerland, Hong Kong and Singapore. In addition, Margot has been appointed as a receiver by international banks over shares of multinational holding companies.

Margot's appointments span across several industries including oil and gas, telecommunications, commodities, financial services and retail businesses. She has led the liquidation and asset realisation strategies for dozens of alternative investment vehicles, including cases where there are accusations of fraud, embezzlement and mismanagement. Margot has successfully recovered hundreds of millions of dollars for stakeholders.

Margot has built a number of successful companies with strong and experienced teams. She is an industry thought leader with a reputation for developing colleagues personally and professionally. Her role as a mentor ensures Grant Thornton continues to attract top talent in the industry.

Margot is the Caribbean Regional Director for IWIRC and passionate about providing learning opportunities and career development for the next generation of professionals in the industry.

Comments from her peers include: *"Margot has an excellent reputation and network of connections in the offshore insolvency and restructuring market; having been appointed to some of the largest international insolvency appointments in the Caribbean. She brings critical thinking and broad perspective to client engagements. She has also trailblazed the path for women in insolvency and restructuring."*

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Peers and clients say: *"Alex is a very impressive asset recovery expert"*
"Mr Lawson has excellent commercial awareness and people skills"
"He has built a good all-round practice"

Peers and clients say: *"Margot is a very experienced practitioner"*
"She is hardworking, smart and passionate about delivering top-tier work"
"Her commercial approach and awareness of real-life factors affecting liquidation, restructuring and recovery"

Cayman Islands



John Royle
Grant Thornton

John Royle is a Director of Grant Thornton Specialist Services in the Cayman Islands with over 24 years of insolvency and asset recovery experience. John acts as an Official Liquidator or Receiver of entities/assets by appointment of the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands. John's appointments have involved contentious disputes, identifying and liquidating assets across multi-jurisdictions with investigations into allegations of fraud, mismanagement, and misappropriation.

John is the receiver of Axiom Legal Financing Fund, which was the first UK cross-border recognition of a Cayman receivership. Successful recognition facilitated litigation strategies including a subsequent Worldwide Freezing Order against numerous defendants in the UK, Isle of Man, and the Marshall Islands. As a result, asset recoveries were generated from Barbados, UK, Isle of Man, Canada, Cayman, Switzerland, and France.

As the leader of the Cayman Island's Football Association forensic investigation, John and his team conducted the forensic accounting tracing analysis of over 15 bank accounts with 15,000+ transactions in excess of US\$20 million.

John is also the receiver of a share in a Cayman holdco which holds over \$0.5bn of assets in the structure. Assets and subsidiaries are located in the Cayman Islands, Isle of Man, US, Switzerland and Curacao. Recognition of the receivership order of the share in the holdco has been obtained in Switzerland which has assisted in the preservation of value.

John leads and acts as a Voluntary Liquidator of numerous Cayman Islands and Irish entities and has led local Cayman forensic engagements. John also acts as a BVI authorised liquidator and has been appointed by the Cayman Court to conduct a sale of shares in JV disputes on the back of arbitral awards.

John is a JIEB qualified insolvency practitioner, the Chairman of RISA Cayman (Cayman's affiliation to INSOL) along with a member of RISA's Education Committee.

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Russell Smith
BDO

With over 25 years of insolvency experience (20 within the Cayman Islands), Russell is a director of BDO Cayman Ltd's corporate recovery and insolvency subsidiary, BDO CRI (Cayman) Ltd.

Russell has broad and extensive experience in contentious, cross-jurisdictional insolvency and restructuring matters, including asset-tracing and recovery. Russell has undertaken engagements which comprise voluntary, provisional and official liquidation, receivership, court-supervised inspectorship, corporate recovery scheme, administration and regulatory body controllership. Engagements include hedge fund, insurance, banking, investment holding and other financial services sector appointments, along with hotel, construction, property development and other non-financial services entities. As an accountant, insolvency practitioner and fraud examiner Russell also undertakes general forensic investigations.

Examples include court-appointed liquidator of a Madoff-related fund involving securities fraud exceeding US\$2 billion, which required substantial cross-border transactions tracing to successfully establish an approved claim of US\$1.6 billion in the US (with present recoveries exceeding US\$1 billion); court-appointed liquidator of a US\$850 million New York-managed hedge fund group with realisation of global investments comprising over 100 private equity positions; court-appointed liquidator of a group of companies related to a Middle-Eastern fraud exceeding US\$9 billion, court-appointed inspector of a US\$1.4 billion Far Eastern power and construction company involving allegations of fraud, court-appointed provisional liquidator and scheme administrator of an insolvent Argentine bank and court-appointed receiver of a US\$100 million resort hotel.

Peers and clients say: *"John Royle is a very accomplished practitioner"*
"He provides straightforward, commercially focused advice"
"He has an excellent understanding of relevant insolvency principles"

England



Olivia Allison
K2 Integrity

Russell is a fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (UK) and an associate member of both the Association of Business Recovery Professionals (UK) and the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners (USA). Russell also holds the Joint Insolvency Examination Board qualification (UK) and has a BA (Hons) degree in economics and business administration.

Olivia Allison is a senior managing director in the Investigations and Risk Advisory practice for K2 Integrity, resident in London. She has extensive experience leading asset search and recovery projects within the context of major UK and global litigation, as well as carrying out complex and cross-border investigations and due diligence projects.

Olivia has wide-ranging international and cross-sectoral expertise which allows her to identify new lines of enquiry in a difficult matter. She specialises in working closely and collaboratively with clients during an investigation, ensuring that all leads are pursued and that investigative information is presented as effectively as possible. She has worked with corporate and legal clients, presenting investigative findings to courts and to top management and oversight boards.

Olivia joined K2 Integrity from a large accounting and consulting firm, where she led the firm's forensic team in Ukraine and Kazakhstan; before that she had been based in London and Moscow. She has led numerous asset search and recovery investigations, including those performed in relation to a major UK litigation emanating from the former Soviet Union.

Olivia is often called as an expert witness and has led the preparation of expert reports relating to large-scale litigation and arbitration. She has carried out investigations in a wide variety of sectors, including energy and natural resources, financial services, healthcare, agriculture, and international development institutions.

Olivia is a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE), a frequent public speaker and panellist, and article contributor.

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Daniel Barton
Alvarez & Marsal

Daniel Barton, a managing director with Alvarez & Marsal's disputes and investigations practice in London, brings more than 25 years of professional experience to his work. He has taken receivership appointments and directorships in multiple countries, to trace, recover and manage assets. He has also given evidence in the English High Court, among other courts, on a range of fraud, asset recovery and investigation matters, as well as in criminal and civil cases in Russia.

Mr Barton began his professional career with the insolvency practice of what was then one of the Big Six accountancy firms, managing businesses during the insolvency process. Here he developed his strong commercial business and negotiation skills, and thick skin, as tools for dealing with problematic situations. After five years of insolvency work, he transferred into the forensic accounting team and developed his specialisation in investigatory work.

Mr Barton now combines his strong commercial and business skills and investigatory expertise to undertake asset recovery projects around the world, going to places that others would prefer not to go, to secure value and deliver recoveries for his clients.

Given his background, Mr Barton is retained by clients with judgments or awards over operational and trading assets. His approach is, as far as possible, to secure revenue streams from assets over which he has been appointed with the aim of self-funding recovery action.

He has worked with clients across a wide range of sectors and has undertaken assignments in the UK, mainland Europe, Africa, the USA, Russia, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, Argentina, Brazil, Japan, South Korea, mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Malaysia. He has taken receiver and/or directorship appointments in the UK, Japan, Cyprus, the Seychelles, British Virgin Islands, Curacao, Belize, the Netherlands, Russia and the Ukraine.

Peers and clients say: "He excels at asset recovery matters"
"Russell is highly regarded in the market"

Peers and clients say: "Olivia is a go-to person for me when it comes to any investigative or due diligence assignment"
"She is great at calibrating the work to the needs of the case and the client"
"Ms Allison is very commercial and a great asset to any team"

Continued overleaf

England



Daniel Barton (cont.)

Prior to joining A&M, Mr Barton was a managing director with the forensic services practice of PricewaterhouseCoopers in Tokyo.

Mr Barton holds a bachelor's degree in history. He is a fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (FCCA) and a certified fraud examiner (CFE).

Mr Barton has spoken on cross-border investigations at multiple global ACFE European fraud conferences. He has also had articles published, and been quoted, in numerous journals and newspapers including the *Financial Times* in relation to the UK Bribery Act.

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Peers and clients say: *"Daniel has profound experience in forensic accounting investigations"*
"Mr Barton provides invaluable evidence in court in relation to fraud and asset recovery matters"
"He is a truly tenacious expert"



Carl Bowles

Alvarez & Marsal

Carl Bowles is a Managing Director and Head of Contentious Insolvency with Alvarez & Marsal Restructuring in London.

He brings over 15 years of experience and specialises in offshore, asset tracing and contentious insolvency situations. He has worked in numerous offshore and onshore jurisdictions working on very complex corporate insolvencies and winding down large structures.

In addition, Mr. Bowles has also taken appointments as a trustee in bankruptcy in complex cross-border and asset tracing situations.

Mr. Bowles has taken numerous offshore appointments, including some of the most notable appointments in the Channel Islands. He is currently joint liquidator (was previously joint administrator) of a large international construction group, with a Guernsey top company, with a turnover in excess of \$1b. In September 2020 Mr. Bowles was appointed joint administrator over the Guernsey top company of a large international mining group (with debts in excess of \$2.4b).

Mr. Bowles is a licensed insolvency practitioner who earned an LLB in Law and a masters' degree (LLM) in International Commercial Law.

Mr. Bowles is also a member of R3's Policy Committee.

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Peers and clients say: *"He's a go-to asset recovery expert"*
"His business acumen is particularly impressive"

Robert Capper

Ankura

Robert Capper is the practice leader of Ankura's Asset Tracing and Complex Investigations team, which is split across Ankura's London, Dubai and Washington offices. Robert has extensive experience in overseeing a range of complex investigative assignments across the world, typically involving detailed and complex investigations in support of contemplated or ongoing legal proceedings. This includes some of the world's largest and high-profile asset tracing and recovery cases, including those against sovereign states and former political leaders. It also includes significant recent asset tracing work in support of high-profile international sanctions. Robert's experience includes the provision and facilitation of a range of funded asset recovery solutions.

Prior to joining Ankura, Robert led the consultancy asset tracing and investigations team at Burford Capital, the world's largest litigation funder. Robert began his career with eight years working for the British Intelligence Services, focusing on counterintelligence and counter-terrorism investigations with an emphasis on North and West Africa.

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Peers and clients say: *"He is a serious player in the asset recovery field"*
"Mr Capper brings an engaged and strategic approach to the table"
"He thinks laterally around problems"



Malcolm Cohen
BDO LLP

Malcolm leads BDO's national contentious insolvency team, bringing together BDO's insolvency and forensic skills.

The team focuses on making recoveries from cross-border, multi-jurisdictional litigation, arbitration and investigations.

Malcolm has over 35 years' experience, specialising in the financial services, football, property, professional practices, shipping and energy sectors. During this time he has built up extensive experience working on complex international fraud-related insolvencies and securing recoveries for creditors. He has acknowledged expertise in this area, working on assignments ranging from initial freezing injunctions through to asset-tracing and fraud recoveries, contractual claims and insolvency clawback claims.

He has successfully made recoveries from sources including foreign governments, banks, directors, customers and suppliers, auditors and other professional advisers, and associated group companies. He has recovered assets from jurisdictions including the USA, Switzerland, Caymans, BVI, France, Mauritius and the Channel Islands.

Malcolm has acted as administrator of BSG Resources Ltd, an international mining company with a US\$1 billion ICSID arbitration claim against an African government; as administrator of Bell Pottinger; liquidator of The Rangers Football Club PLC; court-appointed administrator over the estate of Don Hanson, former managing partner of Arthur Anderson, as a result of issues between the executors; provisional liquidator of Beppler & Jacobson Ltd, the English holding company of a valuable Montenegrin hotel business following a shareholder dispute and claim of minority shareholder oppression/prejudice;

provisional liquidator of ARM Asset Backed Securities SA, a Luxembourg securitisation vehicle which had issued US\$250 million in bonds to 4,000 investors across the world; liquidator of Avendis Global Fund Limited and its trading subsidiaries, all Cayman Island registered funds operating out of Geneva and London, with assets under management of US\$100 million; and court-appointed receiver over substantial private equity interests held by Sebastian Holdings, Inc, a Turks and Caicos Islands registered company.

Malcolm is a regular on the lecture circuit, having presented at the R3 Insolvency Litigation Strategies seminar; on cross-border enforcement strategies at the C5 Fraud Conference in Geneva; on recovery strategies for international insolvency appointments at the Offshore Alert Conference; and at the KNeCT 365 Asset Recovery International Conference in Dublin.

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Steve Cornmell
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Steve Cornmell, is a managing director in the Expert Services practice of Kroll.

Steve has worked in the forensic accounting sector for 25 years. He has a wide range of experience of commercial litigation and disputes and is a specialist in financial investigation. He has extensive experience of providing forensic accounting expertise in relation to commercial disputes and financial investigations.

Steve has acted as expert in a wide range of cases and has provided evidence in person in the criminal and commercial courts, international arbitration tribunals and disciplinary hearings brought by professional bodies. He has provided expert evidence regarding the quantification of damages and in relation to technical accounting matters.

He has also acted for numerous corporate clients in investigations of alleged fraud and accounting irregularity and breakdown. He has assisted insolvency professionals in investigating the circumstances surrounding the failure of businesses, and led efforts to trace and recover corporate funds.

He has extensive experience of criminal fraud investigation having assisted the UK Serious Fraud Office, amongst others, on a wide range of enquiries involving fraudulent trading, theft and false accounting. He has acted as expert for police forces and prosecution agencies in relation to the prosecution of money laundering and fraud offences. He has twice been appointed as an inspector in respect of Companies Act and Insider Dealing enquiries. He has also acted in the defence of individuals charged with serious fraud and money laundering offences.

Steve has extensive experience of asset tracing and the recovery of the proceeds of crime. He has assisted government agencies in the quantification of losses and the pursuit of confiscation proceedings. He has assisted overseas governments in tracing monies allegedly stolen by former heads of state.

Peers and clients say: "He is able to see through the details and get to the heart of the issue quickly"

"He has vast experience in complex cross border, high-value, and contentious asset recovery and litigation matters"

"He provides excellent strategic input to guide his clients and the wider team"

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Steve Cornmell (cont.)

Steve has extensive experience of professional negligence investigations, particularly those involving alleged audit failure involving the failure to identify fraud. He has assisted the UK professional regulator in investigations regarding the conduct of audit firms and members and has provided expert evidence in professional disciplinary tribunals. He has assisted liquidators in bringing claims against the auditors of collapsed businesses. He has also assisted global accounting firms in defending allegations of audit failure.

Steve's cases have covered a broad range of business sectors, including oil and gas, metals, automotive, construction, property, industrials, financial services, hotels, and retail. His cases have involved a wide geographical spread and have included matters in continental Europe, Africa, the Middle East, Asia and the UK and US.

Steve was previously a partner in a global accounting firm where he was the managing partner of the UK Forensic and Investigation Services practice, and where he was also responsible for the development of the legal technology services function.

Steve is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales. He is a graduate of politics.

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Peers and clients say: "Steve is one of the best known asset recovery practitioners"
"He has a prestigious track record as an investigator"
"He is efficient and effective"

Kaley Crossthwaite

BDO LLP

Kaley Crossthwaite is an expert in fraud investigations and regulatory investigations. She is a chartered accountant with over 18 years' experience working in the forensic accounting profession.

Kaley spent 18 months on secondment as an investigator with the companies investigations branch of the Department of Trade and Industry and was appointed several times as an inspector to investigate insider dealing working alongside the FCA. Kaley has been appointed many times by the secretary of state to investigate companies acting against the public interest and has been involved in many compulsory wind-ups following the investigation, and subsequent disqualification of directors. Kaley was also secretary to the investigation into the collapse of MG Rover.

Before moving to specialise in investigations Kaley worked in dispute resolutions on a variety of work within a wide range of sectors, including breach of contract and business interruption. Kaley currently undertakes a variety of work, including fraud investigations, regulatory investigations, anti-money laundering, anti-corruption and other financial crime and dispute resolution work. Kaley has worked in a large number of jurisdictions across the world and most recently worked in Ireland on a high-profile investigation following the financial crisis. Kaley's experience includes investigating accounting 'black holes' and allegations of wrong-doing from the most senior individuals within large global entities. She has worked on many large cross-border investigations, liaising with overseas regulators and law enforcement authorities. She advises boards and non-executive directors following allegations and independent investigations.

Kaley is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and regularly speaks at conferences around the world on fraud, investigations and crisis management. Kaley publishes the BDO FraudTrack report twice a year which highlights trends in reported fraud; she is also a regular contributor to other journals and press publications.

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Peers and clients say: "Kaley has an impressive and client-friendly practice"
"She is a standout forensic accountant and asset recovery expert"



Hannah Davie
Grant Thornton UK LLP

Hannah Davie is a Partner in Grant Thornton UK's Insolvency and asset recovery practice and head of the firms growing Contentious estates and family disputes team.

Hannah has over 15 years' experience dealing with complex, contentious assignments, focusing on identification of assets, tracing exercises, enforcement of judgments and recovery of assets for those who have suffered financial loss, or have a claim against another party.

Hannah and her team are passionate about assisting beneficiaries, trustees, and representatives in matrimonial, family, trust, and probate disputes. Disputes within families often arise following a divorce or the death of a family member. These disputes focus on the value of assets, competing claims, issues relating to executors and conflicts between beneficiaries.

Hannah, working in tandem with lawyers, specialises in designing strategies that ensure the most appropriate action is taken to achieve maximum recovery and the best possible outcome for the client. She can use the Insolvency Act, along with other civil legislation, such as the use of liquidations, bankruptcies and court appointed receiverships, as tools to assist with investigations, asset tracing and recovery processes. When instructed to identify and recover assets, including offshore trusts and corporate structures she is fully supported by Grant Thornton's large forensic practice, corporate intelligence team, and valuation experts both in the UK and internationally to achieve the best results for the client.

Hannah is able to offer a full range of funding options for her clients and is able to act on a contingent basis and regularly engages with solicitors, counsel, litigation funders and adverse cost insurers on similar terms to ensure the most appropriate action is taken, in response to the client's individual requirements.

Hannah's qualifications include: Certificate in Probate and Estate Administration, FCCA (Fellow of Chartered Certified Accountants) and JIEB (Joint Insolvency Examination Board) (Corporate and Personal).

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Peers and clients say: *"She is a superb strategist"*
"She possesses strong analytical and tactical skills"
"Hannah has a great forensic mind"



Will Davies
Grant Thornton UK LLP

Will Davies is the UK Head of Forensic and Investigation Services and co-lead for Grant Thornton's International practice. He is a vastly experienced forensic accountant specialising in complex multi-jurisdictional financial investigations and commercial disputes, including international arbitration. Under Will's lead the UK team have been praised for being at the forefront of the market, while he works tirelessly to enhance collaboration internationally, to assemble best in class cross-border project teams.

His work covers London and many of the world's offshore financial locations including the Middle East, Europe, and North America. Will has advised clients and acted as an expert in a wide range of industries, including in financial services (particularly banking, insurance, and asset management), manufacturing, energy, construction, retail, media, healthcare, pharmaceuticals, professional services and private equity. He is regularly retained by regulators (in Europe and the Caribbean), Liquidators/Receivers, corporates, lawyers, and private equity funds in sensitive and typically very complex matters.

Will has given written evidence on over 400 occasions and oral evidence in over 40 leading cases. He has acted on some of the largest and most complex forensic accounting matters of recent years including giving evidence in the Superior Court of Connecticut in the long running manner of Deutsche Bank AG .v. Sebastian Holdings Inc and Ahmad Hamad Algosaibi and Brothers Company .v. Saad Investments Company Limited. Will has extensive experience acting as an expert witness in courts and in arbitrations, often in very high-profile cases, including the UK high court, the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands, the Guernsey High Court and to various International Arbitration bodies including ICSID AND BCC (Bulgaria).

Will's Professional qualifications and memberships include, FCA, Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales, (ICAEW) Founder Member of ICAEW Forensic Accounting Special Interest Group and Member of ICAEW Valuation Special Interest Group.

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Will Davies (cont.)

The directories refer to Will as “meticulous and knowledgeable” with sources noting: “He’s very personable and an excellent witness”. His extensive testifying experience and strong analysis means that “Judges like him and listen to him”. “Will really is one of the best in the business.”

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Peers and clients say: “Will has a huge amount of experience”
“I highly recommend him - he’s superb” “Will is meticulous and knowledgeable”
“He adds a lot to any case”



Benedict Hamilton Kroll

Benedict Hamilton is a managing director in the Forensic Investigations and Intelligence practice. He developed Kroll’s General Investigations team for Europe, Middle East and Africa, specialising in digital investigations, including open source, and the tools and methodologies that enable clients to combat cybercrime, leaks of confidential information, counterfeiting/illicit trade, and cryptocurrencies.

Benedict is now the global lead for technology and innovation, continuing to develop proprietary tools and techniques for investigations, particularly around social media analytics and blockchains.

He has extensive experience helping clients tackle a variety of complex issues, combining appropriate technology with Kroll’s global team of investigative experts to achieve efficient, effective results.

Notable cases led by Benedict include a pan European effort to disrupt illicit trade in refrigerant gases for the European Chemical Council, using a combination of technology, controlled buyer interactions and site visits for maximum impact.

Benedict led a case that thwarted a multi-million-dollar extortion attempt by a hacker who held company data, by recovering the data before it could be released. He has also identified malicious tweeters through clues in the tweet contents, deep web and Whois data, and led a team that identified and located those responsible for a \$25 million Bitcoin theft, from social media and intellectual property access clues, for law enforcement to prosecute.

Prior to joining Kroll in 2005, Benedict spent 12 years producing investigative television programs for the BBC and Channel 4. He was also nominated twice for Channel 4’s Royal Television Society (RTS) Best Journalism Awards for programs on Northern Irish terrorism and Combat 18.

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Peers and clients say: “Benedict’s professionalism is unparalleled”
“He tackles complicated recovery matters exceptionally well”

Steven Haynes Greyhawk

Steven Haynes is a director of Greyhawk Intelligence Group and has over 25 years of investigations experience.

He provides evidence and intelligence to litigators, arbitrators and insolvency practitioners in complex, high-value and cross-border disputes. He has experience of identifying the assets of personal, corporate and sovereign debtors.

At Greyhawk, he manages multilingual teams engaged on international disputes; these frequently combine a range of investigative approaches, including collection of human intelligence, surveillance, retrieval and analysis of public records, interviewing and the analysis of social media using specialist tools.

Prior to co-founding Greyhawk in 2012, Mr Haynes was the head of corporate intelligence at KPMG for six years. He co-authored the firm’s global corporate intelligence methodology and delivered training to KPMG Forensic teams worldwide. Between 1997 and 2005, he worked at Control Risks.

His general investigations experience includes identification of fraud, corruption and money laundering risks for eight of the “top ten” investment banks in emerging markets across the EMEA region.

He has many years’ experience of developing sources in complex and hostile jurisdictions. His “on the ground” experience includes deployment to Libya, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq and Iran. He has worked in 11 African counties, including Nigeria, Ghana, Angola, Congo DRC, Sierra Leone, Kenya, Uganda and Zimbabwe.

Steven has presented regularly to law firms on the English Courts’ approach to evidence gathered by private investigators, including evidence gathered through illegal means. His analysis of the role of intelligence in asset tracing was published by the Oxford University Press in *International Asset Tracing in Insolvency* (OUP, 2009).

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Peers and clients say: “He is an affable and persuasive practitioner”
“Steven is very well-known and has a great reputation”



Kevin Hellard
Grant Thornton UK LLP

Kevin Hellard is Practice Leader of Grant Thornton UK's Insolvency and asset recovery business and Offshore Delivery Lead.

Kevin has over 30 years' experience of contentious insolvency investigating, misfeasance, professional negligence, and asset tracing across multiple jurisdictions including the BVI, Cayman Islands, Singapore, Dubai, Hong Kong, Switzerland as well as South America and eastern Europe. He is appointed both in the UK and globally over structures that have suffered losses caused by corruption or malpractice.

Kevin and his team specialise in the use of insolvency and court-appointed receiverships as a tool in the identification and construction of claims against the perpetrators of fraud and those who assisted them. His team incorporates many of the most well-known and respected names within the asset recovery field, which has led to them taking some of the most high-profile asset recovery projects in the UK and offshore financial centres in recent years.

Under Kevin's leadership, Grant Thornton's asset recovery practice has become the largest dedicated contentious insolvency and asset recovery practice incorporating resource across key offshore financial centres. A host of complementary services have been developed including director services, corporate intelligence and the businesses own funding options including the Asset recovery fund (a specialist enforcement fund established to provide third-party financing for large and complex asset recovery claims).

Kevin is routinely appointed by Lawyers, significant creditors and by governments to investigate corruption of the previous regimes and the tracing, recovery and repatriation of misappropriated assets. He has given evidence in court on numerous occasions and has presented internationally on corruption and asset tracing, with a number of articles published on these subjects.

Kevin is immediate past President of the Insolvency Practitioners Association, the leading regulator of insolvency activity in the UK.

Kevin is hailed as "at the forefront of major asset recovery matters globally" and sources note that "He provides great experience, knowledge and leadership"

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Peers and clients say: "Kevin is a legend of the asset recovery field"
"Mr Hellard is a hugely effective expert"
"He applies his knowledge to create new views of the problem, which produces more effective solutions"



Steve Holt
Grant Thornton UK LLP

Steve Holt is a partner in Grant Thornton's forensic and investigations services practice, with a particular focus on aiding companies facing urgent, complex, cross-border issues including fraud, bribery and corruption, misconduct and asset recovery.

Steve has more than 15 years of forensic accounting and investigations experience in high-profile and high-stakes cases. His work often involves the analysis and presentation of complex information from multiple sources in a clear format that may be used to support disclosure to regulators or as an expert report as part of legal proceedings.

He is involved in a number of high-profile international assignments representing governments, public companies, and private individuals, and assists in both the recovery and seizure of substantial funds.

Recently, Steve was appointed expert investigator on behalf of a UK regulator to identify the effect of the actions of management following the collapse of a high-profile company, which resulted in the recovery of over £300 million.

He has also been appointed in several investigations connected with allegations of bribery involving Operation Car Wash in Brazil; uncovered a €620 million cross-border money laundering scheme involving the manipulation of several international banks by a cartel of rogue businessmen; and led an investigation into concerns of misconduct at an international sports federation.

Steve is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, is a certified fraud examiner, and holds a first-class honours degree in statistics from the University of Bath. He is also an officer of the International Bar Association Anti-Corruption Committee.

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Peers and clients say: "He is naturally curious and thorough in his research"
"He's excellent""Steve is very commercial"

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David Ingram
Grant Thornton UK LLP

David Ingram trained and qualified as a Chartered Accountant with KPMG, starting his career in audit but transferring to the far more exciting world of recovery just in time for the recession of the late 1980s. David took his first insolvency appointment in 1995, having moved to a boutique insolvency firm, before moving to Chantrey Vellacott in 1999 where he remained for almost 10 years.

David joined Grant Thornton in 2008 and is head of the Grant Thornton's proceeds of crime team, specialising in the management and tracing and recovery of assets. David regularly takes appointments as Court Appointed Receiver in criminal and non-criminal matters as well as contentious insolvency appointments.

David has over 30 years of experience in insolvency and has specialised in contentious insolvency and the proceeds of crime for 20 years. Recent experience includes a hostile appointment as liquidator in a multi-million-pound tax fraud and numerous 'boiler room' frauds ranging from premier wine to property investments in Brazil. David is passionate and meticulous in his approach to each and every assignment and is recognised as a world leader in the field of asset tracing and recovery and has been described as the "go-to" individual for Court appointed receivership cases.

David regularly speaks at conferences on the topic of fraud and how to recover assets, whether in the UK or overseas.

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Peers and clients say: "He is always willing to tackle the difficult cases"
"David's approach is always measured and well thought-out"
"He's very impressive"



Ben Johnson
Berkeley Research Group

Ben Johnson is a managing director in the global investigations and strategic intelligence practice based in London and leads the forensic investigation team in EMEA. He is a forensic accountant with 20 years' experience in the field, focusing on fraud, accounting malpractice and anti-bribery and corruption issues. Over the course of his career, he has worked on some of the largest and most complex investigations and disputes globally. Ben has extensive experience in acting for regulators and enforcement agencies which enables him to provide valuable insight to private sector clients facing regulatory oversight.

Ben has led multiple investigations on behalf of accountancy regulators into major accounting scandals in the UK and other jurisdictions. He also led a team of forensic investigators assisting the Attorney General's Office and police of a Southern European country investigating potential crimes in the country's banking sector.

In addition to his investigations experience, Ben has authored expert reports on issues relating to fraud, corruption and misapplication of accounting standards in court proceedings, regulatory proceedings and international arbitration and has provided oral expert testimony regarding global anti-bribery and corruption standards. He is also experienced in advising companies on their compliance processes, in particular anti-bribery and corruption measures, anti-fraud procedures including procurement and sanctions compliance procedures.

He has experience across a range of industry sectors, in particular: financial services, energy, software, IT&T, support services, construction and engineering, and retail.

He is the deputy chairman and an executive board member of The Academy of Experts, the leading body for the promotion of standards for expert witnesses.

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Peers and clients say: "Ben really gets into the nuts and bolts of the matter at hand"
"Mr Johnson is very responsive and easy to deal with"
"He is extremely user friendly"



Julian Jones
Alvarez & Marsal

Julian Jones is a managing director and a member of the executive committee of Alvarez & Marsal's disputes and investigations practice, based out of its London office. He brings more than 20 years of accounting experience, with over 18 years of specialist experience in financial investigations and disputes and has served both advisory and expert witness-related roles.

Mr Jones has worked on investigations throughout the UK, Europe, the US and the Middle East for lawyers, public and private sector clients, governments and regulators. Mr Jones brings significant experience in conducting confidential reviews, working either independently or in conjunction with a company's internal counsel. He has also provided expert opinions and given evidence on the assessment of loss, and has investigated allegations of bribery and corruption in connection with procurement managers, lawyers and accountants, bank officers, sports clubs, shipping agents, trustees of pension funds, and managing directors of both quoted and unquoted companies.

Mr Jones has acted in many high-profile cases including leading A&M's investigations in connection with the bankruptcy of Lehman Brothers and providing evidence in connection with several major High Court disputes related to Lehman Brothers intercompany relationships and the working practices between entities. He also investigated several issues linked to Lehman's structured transactions group and assisted the team leading the wind-down of those structures; analysing multiple pieces of financial information on behalf of a government in order to trace and identify worldwide assets of the former rulers of one of the Arab Spring countries; acting for various UK regulators in investigating the work of other accountants in several high profile matters; assisting attorneys to Citibank in an action arising from the collapse of Parmalat; working on behalf of financial regulators in analysing various boiler room and ponzi scheme frauds to identify funds flows.



Valery Knyazev
Kroll

Mr Jones' experience includes assessment of quantum, loss of profit, due diligence assistance, asset tracing, fraud and financial crime. His work has covered many sectors including retail, residential and commercial building development, shipping, oil and gas, automotive, retail wholesalers and manufacturers, telecoms, financial services and professional services companies. Many of Mr Jones' cases have required the efficient handling and reviewing of large volumes of electronic data, using advanced forensic computing and data analytical techniques.

Mr Jones earned a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Imperial College in London and trained as a chartered engineer with British Steel Corporation. He is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

Valery Knyazev, managing director at Kroll, has over 25 years of professional experience and has been involved in forensic accounting and financial expert engagements in the UK, Russia and the CIS region, and in emerging markets.

Valery has been actively involved in a wide range of matters including commercial and shareholder disputes quantifying damages and valuing business interests, investment treaty claims, transaction-related disputes, loss of profit claims, insurance and reinsurance claims, financial investigations and disputes arising out of accounting and financial irregularities reporting on alleged fraud transactions and asset misappropriation.

Valery has issued reports and testified in arbitration proceedings under LCIA, SCC, ICC and ICSID rules, and in state courts, on many occasions.

Valery has first-hand experience in business, accounting and financial practices in emerging markets and the CIS region (including Russia, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Republic of Belarus, Moldova and Uzbekistan). He has provided services in civil and criminal proceedings, and his reports have been served in state court proceedings in Russia, Cyprus, British Virgin Islands and the UK. He has advised clients in a wide range of industries including construction, financial services, manufacturing, mining, oil and gas, real estate, telecoms and others.

Valery is a fellow of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and a Certified Fraud Examiner. He has received additional professional education in business valuation. He has a high degree in economics, and a high degree with honours in engineering.

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Gervase MacGregor
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Gervase is the head of international advisory, risk and quality at BDO LLP. Gervase is one of the most experienced accounting expert witnesses in the UK and has extensive experience of international arbitrations. He has worked on cases in London (LCIA and ICC), Stockholm (SCC), Geneva (ICC), Paris (ICC, ICSID), Zurich (ICC, ad hoc Cantonal) and Rotterdam (NAI). He has also worked on cases before the Court of First Instance of the European Communities, the High Court in London, the Copyright Tribunal and the Restrictive Practices Court. He has acted as expert witness in hundreds of legal actions and has given oral evidence 50 times.

In 1997 he started working as an external adviser to the United Nations Compensation Commission in respect of compensation claims against Iraq arising from its invasion of Kuwait in 1990. He considered a large number of claims in the oilfield and related energy sectors and was a lead adviser in respect of the Kuwait oil sector's US\$23 billion claim for compensation following the blowing-up of its oil wells. Since then he has worked on a large number of disputes in the energy sector.

He is the author of various books, including Expert Accounting Evidence, Solicitors Accounts and Surveyors, Architects and Estate Agents. He has also written numerous articles for Accountancy and other technical publications.

His main areas of expertise are in the field of natural resources, particularly oil and gas claims; state/operator disputes; takeover disputes; regulatory matters; and valuing companies and damages.

Prior to joining BDO he worked as a petroleum geologist in the North Sea, Australia and West Africa. He has investigated and reported on the affairs of the MG Rover Group and Phoenix Venture Holdings on behalf of the Secretary of State and DTI.

Peers and clients say: "Julian is exceptionally experienced at running complex multi-jurisdictional asset recovery matters"
"He is strategic and tenacious in his approach"
"Mr Jones has built an impressive team to enable him to win and successfully execute some of the largest insolvency and recovery cases"

Peers and clients say: "Valery is very effective as an expert and comes across well when delivering testimony"
"He is very professional and experienced"
"He is incredibly hard working and approachable"

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Gervase MacGregor (cont.)

His experience includes acting as an accountant instructed by the UNCC to advise panels on determination of claims against Iraq arising from the Gulf War (1990–1991); acting as an expert for the MCPS-PRS Alliance in the Copyright Tribunal relating to online music; acting in relation to loss of profits (among other issues) arising from the takeover of ERF by MAN (2001–2007, instructed on behalf of MAN); acting as an expert witness on behalf of the Director General of Fair Trading in respect of the removal of resale price maintenance on OTC medicines; acting for the UK energy regulator on the accounting disclosures by the large six energy companies; and monitoring trustee for competition regulators.

Darren Matthews

K2 Integrity

Darren Matthews is an executive managing director and regional head of Europe, Middle East, and Africa (EMEA) for K2 Integrity. With more than 25 years of experience conducting and leading investigations, Darren is an expert in internal investigations and dispute resolution. Based in London, Darren leads the firm's European operations and directs a team of investigators, forensic accountants, and asset tracing and recovery experts who assist clients facing complex disputes; cross-border instances of fraud, bribery, and corruption; and compliance breaches.

Darren provides support to clients involved in disputes and matters impacting their reputation, and advises them on risks confronting the core areas of their business. Darren has extensive experience investigating civil and criminal matters, interrogating disputed transactions, and quantifying losses incurred as a result of fraud and corruption internationally. He advises clients across a range of industries, including the mining, aerospace, supply chain, and financial services industries.

Before joining K2 Integrity, Darren was the managing director at Nexus Risk Management, providing investigative and compliance services to clients in EMEA. Prior to that, Darren spent 10 years in investigative and management roles at a UK plc conducting internal investigations throughout the world.

Darren is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (FCA) and a Certified Fraud Examiner (CFE).

Zoë Newman

Kroll

Zoë Newman is a regional managing director and global co-head of the Financial Investigations practice. Zoë leverages over 20 years of experience working across Eastern Europe, the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) and the Middle East and has led numerous international cross-border investigations. These investigations required the tracing of complex fund flows, dissection of corporate structures and assessment of the integrity of transactions to support both civil and criminal asset recovery proceedings and disclosures to regulators.

Zoë's extensive experience includes advising emerging and frontier market banking regulators on systemic issues relating to distressed banks, the integrity of their capital and the identification of abuse of the financial system by the banks' shareholders and senior management. She has significant expertise in advising both government and corporate clients and their counsel in critical matters concerning the prevention, detection and investigation of fraud and corruption and associated money-laundering mechanisms and related asset recovery strategies.

She regularly presents to boards, regulators and government bodies on how best to approach and structure financial investigations into some of the most sensitive issues they face.

Further, Zoë has led complex, multi-jurisdictional investigations on behalf of corporates subject to various localized bribery and corruption legislations.

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Peers and clients say: "Gervase and his team produce excellent results within tight deadlines"
"He is a leading figure in the asset recovery space, without question"

Peers and clients say: "Darren is a great asset recovery expert with an excellent reputation"
"He is a true leader in the market"



Christopher Osborne
FRP Advisory Trading Limited

Zoë has overseen several external asset recovery investigations on behalf of multinational corporates whose employees were subject to targeted efforts by organized crime to convince them to misappropriate millions of dollars from the organizations.

She has also assisted high-net-worth individuals facing allegations of money laundering by regulators, providing expert evidence by forensically tracing origins of wealth and deposits frozen in accounts subject to restraint orders.

Christopher Osborne leads FRP Advisory's forensic services practice. He brings over 20 years of experience of forensic accounting including fraud, bribery and corruption investigations, expert witness services, asset-tracing and recovery investigations, regulatory inquiries and compliance and risk advisory assignments. Christopher also oversees FRP Advisory's forensic technology practice, which delivers data acquisition and eDiscovery services to law firms and corporates.

Christopher's work covers a multitude of industry sectors including construction, financial services, retail, professional services, technology, pharmaceuticals and aviation.

His assignments are often international in nature and involve significant asset tracing and recovery work. Recent significant cases include investigations into the demise of BHS, a fraud investigation on behalf of a major charity, investigations and asset tracing in relation to a high net worth individual in the context of a matrimonial dispute, an investigation on behalf of an overseas enforcement agency, an internal investigation on behalf of a professional services firm, and a high-profile bribery and corruption investigation.

Christopher has worked on a multitude of civil and criminal fraud cases in the course of which he has conducted extensive under caution and witness interviews. He has been seconded to the UK's financial regulator and also worked on behalf of the UK's Serious Fraud Office.

Christopher has been appointed as expert witness on multiple occasions by both claimants and defendants, as single joint expert and expert determiner. Recent experience includes opining on the quantum aspects of a professional negligence claim, a number of loss-of-profits claims including business interruption, misappropriated monies lent in respect of property developments and the fraudulent conduct of a joint venture partner, which included a successful application for a worldwide asset freezing order. He has been cross examined in the High Court and in international arbitration.

Christopher's advisory practice includes working with clients on compliance issues, and reviewing systems and controls to mitigate the risk of fraud.

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"Zoe is an experienced and hard-working expert"

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"Chris is so intelligent and hard working - a brilliant combo!"
"He is thorough, personable and communicates well"

England



Samuel D Ouriach
Grant Thornton UK LLP

Samuel Ouriach is an Associate Director in Grant Thornton's Insolvency and asset recovery practice, specialising in complex, contentious and cross-border insolvency. He is based in London and has spent significant time working in Grant Thornton's offices in the British Virgin Islands and Cayman Islands.

He has extensive experience in bringing claims and enforcing freezing orders/judgments in various overseas jurisdictions including BVI, Cayman Islands, Hong Kong, PRC, CIS, Eastern Europe, South America and Caribbean regions.

Sam's focus is primarily on asset recovery, unwinding complex structures to uncover hidden assets and forming legal claims against the perpetrators. He utilises a strong network of international professionals, linking up with Grant Thornton's offshore businesses.

He works closely with Grant Thornton's Forensic and Investigations team and Corporate Intelligence unit to assist with investigations and provide effective streamlined solutions.

Sam has managed high profile, high value insolvency cases with a focus on both grand corruption and large-scale ponzi/investment schemes. Notable cases include a USD\$200 million Brazilian grand corruption case, an Antigua USD\$7 billion ponzi scheme, and US and UK based investment scams.

Sam joined Grant Thornton in 2005 and qualified as a Chartered Certified accountant in 2007, prior to specialising in contentious insolvency from 2008.

Directories note that Sam has "extensive offshore experience that is invaluable in understanding the structures that we are often dealing with" and is "enormously bright, very hard working and a super-pleasant fellow".

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Stephen Peters
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Stephen is a forensic accounting partner at BDO LLP with some 20 years of diverse experience in investigations, litigation matters and international arbitration. He is the UK's representative and key player in BDO's Global Forensic Leadership Group. Stephen has led numerous large multinational teams in major international financial investigations. He has also been involved in expert witness assignments, both litigation in Court and arbitrations (LCIA, ICC, ICC and ICSID) dealing with issues such as breach of contract and loss of profits, acquisitions and disposals disputes, minority shareholder and joint venture disputes, insurance claims, valuations, accounts interpretation, directors' disqualifications and intellectual property matters.

Stephen has significant experience of contentious insolvency matters and is the forensic lead for this specialist area. He works alongside insolvency practitioners in a number of roles, including as expert accountant, as adviser in investigations to follow cash as well as the tracing and recovery of non-cash assets.

Prior to joining BDO, Stephen worked in the forensic services practices at the largest global firms and specialist consulting companies, where he was involved in international investigations and large-scale litigation assignments. Stephen also spent three years working for an international firm of chartered loss adjusters dealing with loss of profits and investigating suspected fraudulent insurance claims.

Stephen graduated with honours with a BSc degree in civil engineering from Aston University, Birmingham. He is a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and has a postgraduate certificate in fraud risk management from John Moores University, Liverpool.

Over the years, Stephen has led very high-profile assignments. His main areas of industry expertise are in the fields of natural resources (particularly mining), automotive, construction and engineering, aerospace and sports.

Much of Stephen's experience involves cross-border disputes and investigations and he has worked throughout the world. Stephen has also been involved in numerous expert witness matters, both litigation and international arbitration, and has experience of giving oral evidence.

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"His business acumen is impressive"



Mike Saville
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Mike Saville is a Director in Grant Thornton UK's Insolvency and asset recovery team, specialising in asset recovery from offshore jurisdictions.

Mike has an extensive 23 years' experience as a UK-based Insolvency Practitioner as well as gaining experience of the offshore world, culminating in several years as a Cayman Islands based practitioner, leading predominantly court-appointed liquidations and receiverships. These cases concerned investment funds that had been suspended and liquidated, following either fraud or poor investment decisions, and offshore global holding companies.

Mike has particular expertise and experience of cases involving the US, China and numerous island jurisdictions associated with "hiding" assets. He has also taken appointments in the Isle of Man including a locally high-profile trust and company services provider.

Sources note that "Mike is unquestionably the most experienced UK asset recovery expert focused on the offshore jurisdictions". "His experience on the ground in offshore jurisdictions makes him a valuable resource for any international asset recovery efforts".

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"I have never known one of Mike's decisions to be successfully challenged"
"He is relentlessly commercial and above all, a pleasure to work with"



Mark Shaw
BDO LLP

Over the last thirty years, Mark has developed an international practice which includes many major insolvency and asset-tracing/asset-recovery assignments. Twenty-two of those years have been as a partner. Mark has particular experience of major bribery and corruption claims and hence the issues which they give rise to. In recent years, he has worked on claims with a value of \$billions.

Mark's experience covers many jurisdictions, often in an insolvency context. These include: the United States of America, Saudi Arabia, Dubai, Bahrain, Kuwait, Libya, the Marshall Islands, the Cayman Islands, the British Virgin Islands, France, Serbia, Montenegro, Russia, Cyprus, Uzbekistan, Germany, the Netherlands, Ireland, Guernsey, Panama, Luxembourg, Switzerland, Liechtenstein, and the United Kingdom.

Mark's cases frequently require diligent and hands-on leadership, working closely in teams with other professionals. His team at BDO are well-established - and are known for being able to explain the most complex financial issues in terms which are robust, clear and cogent.

Mark is frequently called on to testify in court as an expert. In this regard, judges have commented that Mark is "...an impressive, lucid and thoughtful witness..." and that his evidence was "...particularly clear, thorough and cogent...".

Mark holds the following relevant qualifications: bachelor's degree in accountancy, first-class honours; chartered accountant in the UK and Ireland; insolvency practitioner in the UK; insolvency practitioner and official liquidator in the DIFC.

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"He produces reports of an excellent standard"



Jonathan Thielmann
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Jonathan Thielmann is a Director and licenced insolvency practitioner within Grant Thornton UK's insolvency and asset recovery practice.

Jonathan has over 10 years' experience assisting clients in the UK and internationally with the recovery of assets which have been misappropriated as a result of fraud.

Jonathan works closely with lawyers to formulate and implement asset recovery strategies. He has experience realising high-value luxury assets located throughout Europe and prominent offshore financial centres. Combined with his varied case experience and being a licenced insolvency practitioner in England, Cyprus and the AIFC (Kazakhstan) makes Jonathan well placed to co-ordinate international asset recovery assignments.>

Jonathan's recent case experience includes: acting as trustee in bankruptcy of Anatoly Motylev, the Russian banker with creditor claims in excess of £600 million; leading the investigation and recovery of assets from the deceased Russian 'Oligarch' Boris Berezovsky whose creditors are owed £350 million; advising the Ukrainian Deposit Guarantee Fund investigating the dissipation of assets from a collapsed commercial bank; Assisting a Russian bank recovering personal guarantees in excess of £200 million from a Russian émigré by utilising bankruptcy proceedings in the UK; the provisional liquidation of Renaissance Capital Holdings - the holding company of a large Russian investment bank with gross assets in excess of US\$3 billion.

Sources note that "Jonathan is really good at cutting to the chase on commercial points to achieve the best outcome, while being on top of the detail". "He's incredibly impressive".

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"Jonathan is a hard worker and incredibly knowledgeable"

England



Gavin Williamson
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Gavin is a managing director in AlixPartners' UK forensic practice based in London. He is a chartered accountant and certified fraud examiner, specialising in forensic accounting investigations on behalf of corporate and institutional clients. His practice ranges from the investigation of white-collar crime, financial fraud, theft and bribery, to wider forms of employee and institutional misconduct such as confidentiality breaches and conflicts of interest.

Gavin focuses on complex multi-jurisdictional fraud investigation and asset-tracing and works closely with legal counsel to address increasingly sophisticated and elaborate methods of money laundering. Gavin's experience includes tracing misappropriated funds through offshore corporate entities, UK, US and Russian property, and high-value investment commodities. Analysis and evidence prepared by Gavin has supported applications for numerous freezing, search and disclosure injunctions in matters in front of English courts.

Gavin is based in London but works extensively overseas. He has conducted major investigations in Switzerland, Spain, Turkey, Ireland, Middle East/North Africa, Eastern Europe, and Central and East Asia.

Gavin has been involved in supporting organisations in a wide range of industry sectors, from not-for-profit, retail, and energy and resources, to construction, property and manufacturing. Gavin has also worked extensively for clients in the financial services sector, including insurance companies, hedge funds, banks and sovereign wealth funds. His financial services experience encompasses sanctions, anti-money laundering and fraud investigations. He has reported to the UK's Serious Fraud Office, and US and European prosecutors and law enforcement agencies on behalf of banks and other organisations.

Gavin has a special interest in the use of technology in the investigation of fraud and corruption, and asset tracing. He has presented widely on innovations in forensic technology and their practical application to investigation and disclosure. In an environment in which white-collar criminals and fraudsters are ever more sophisticated, effective investigation requires imaginative solutions. Gavin's targeted use of technology has identified critical evidence in numerous investigations, from deleted and recovered SMS messages, Bloomberg messages, cloud-based data storage and apparently encrypted, secure messaging apps.

Gavin has presented to industry and corporate audiences on various topics relating to the prevention, detection and investigation of fraud, bribery and corruption and is the author of a number of industry news alerts and publications including "The Role of Forensic Accountants in International Investigations" published by *the International Law Review*, 2016, and "Multi-Jurisdictional Corporate Investigations: Project Management, Coordination and Control" published by *International Comparative Legal Guides*, 2017. Gavin has an honours degree from Queen's University Belfast and a doctorate from the University of Dundee, both in civil engineering. He is a fellow of the Institute of Accountants in England and Wales, and a member of the Fraud Advisory Panel.

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"His practical approach delivers results"
"I highly recommend his asset recovery work"



Nick Wood
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Nick Wood is a Partner in the Insolvency and asset recovery team at Grant Thornton and has over 30 years' experience in tracing and recovering hidden assets from many jurisdictions including, Far East, EMEA countries, Russia CIS region and the USA, using civil and insolvency procedures.

The Insolvency and asset recovery team has recovered over £3bn of hidden misappropriated assets over the last eight years from over 65 jurisdictions.

Nick has been instrumental in setting up a specialist enforcement fund which is available for high value asset recovery and enforcement claims where Grant Thornton is the mandated recovery agent. This is non-recourse funding for enforcement and related litigation in return for a percentage of recoveries. The fund is flexible and there is appetite to buy Non-Performing Loans and other forms of distressed debt, judgments and arbitration awards, depending on the clients' requirements.

Nick works with corporates, financial institutions, victims of fraud and the public sector. He has been appointed Receiver by the Courts of the UK, Antigua, Bermuda, BVI, Cayman, Nevis, Jersey and Delaware.

Examples of Nicks successful cases include Liquidator of an Antiguan offshore bank - \$150m fraud, Administrator of 160\$m turnover commodity trader in West Africa - \$20m fraud, Trustee over John 'Goldfinger' Palmer, 105 on the Sunday Times rich list and Trustee of Boris Berezovsky, the billionaire Russian Oligarch.

Nick's professional qualifications and memberships include, Licensed Insolvency Practitioner, LLB (Hons), FIPA, FABRP and JIEB.

Sources note that "Nick is a very well known and highly successful practitioner" "He has a thorough, encompassing and determined approach to cases"

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"Nick is extremely creative and commercially innovative"

Hong Kong



Bruno Arboit

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Bruno Arboit is a managing director in the Hong Kong office and leads the Restructuring and Disputes practice in Greater China. Bruno began his accountancy career in Australia and has more than 30 years' experience, predominantly in the corporate recovery, forensic accounting and litigation support area, including 11 years working with KPMG both in Australia and Hong Kong. He has lived and worked in Hong Kong for over 24 years.

Prior to joining Kroll, Bruno was the founder and managing partner of Zolfo Cooper Asia, which was acquired by Duff & Phelps (now trading as Kroll) in January 2019. Bruno has considerable experience in acting for both directors and creditors of companies facing financial difficulties and has undertaken numerous special investigations and business reviews involving the assessment of financial viability and the formulation of recovery strategies. His work experience also includes providing expert opinion in shareholder, commercial and matrimonial disputes, valuations and fraud investigations.

Bruno is a qualified Chartered Accountant, a fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA), holder of the HKICPA Specialist Designation in Insolvency accreditation, a Fellow of CPA Australia, a member of the Australian Restructuring Insolvency and Turnaround Association and a Certified Fraud Examiner. He is an experienced insolvency practitioner, having undertaken numerous court appointments, and has written a number of published articles on corporate recovery related matters, including the operation of insolvency law in Hong Kong and the PRC.

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"Mr Arboit brings a great deal of experience to the table"

"Bruno is clear when it comes to communicating instructions and managing expectations of various stakeholders"



Cosimo Borrelli

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Cosimo Borrelli is the leader of Kroll's Asia Pacific and the Caribbean restructuring practice and a leading restructuring and insolvency practitioner in Asia and internationally. He is a Chartered Accountant with over 30 years of experience in forensic and financial investigations, accounting, valuation and corporate recovery.

Cos is renowned in the areas of forensic accounting, money laundering investigations, investigations of banking frauds, financial statement frauds, asset diversion schemes and director and auditor negligence, and resisting improper enforcement of security. These matters often involve the tracing, locating and realisation of significant assets.

Cos' assignments frequently require him to investigate, form an opinion and give evidence before courts, tribunals and regulators in numerous jurisdictions, including Hong Kong, PRC, Singapore, the United States, the United Kingdom, Cayman Islands, British Virgin Islands (BVI), Bermuda and the Netherlands and Netherland Antilles.

Cos' strong investigation and forensic background plays a key role in the analysis and execution of restructuring and associated assignments. His wealth of commercial experience means he is well suited to establishing and implementing solutions to complex problems and disputes.

Cos is also well regarded for his work as an independent director to listed companies internationally. He is a member of accountancy, restructuring and insolvency professional institutes and associations in Hong Kong, Singapore, Australia and New Zealand. He is frequently appointed as liquidator, provisional liquidator and receiver by Courts in Hong Kong, Singapore, Cayman Islands, BVI and Bermuda. He was awarded the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants' specialist designation in insolvency, SD (Insolvency).

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"He is a very experienced operator in this field with global reach"

"Mr Borrelli can think outside the box on cases"

Hong Kong



Gwynn Hopkins
Perun Consultants

Gwynn Hopkins is the founder and Managing Director of Perun Consultants, based in Hong Kong.

Having spent over 20 years working between Hong Kong, the Cayman Islands, the British Virgin Islands and the United Kingdom, Gwynn Hopkins has worked as an insolvency practitioner and forensic accountant on a wide range of local and cross-border engagements and has proven track record in dealing with cases involving complex litigation or with contentious matters to resolve.

Many of Gwynn's engagements have related to companies affected by serious fraudulent conduct and involved significant forensic accounting and asset tracing work. He also has extensive experience in valuation of businesses – particularly in cases relating to shareholder or joint venture disputes – and quantum dispute matters.

Gwynn has been instructed as an expert witness in a range of court cases, and served as a consulting expert in arbitration proceedings, dealing with valuation and quantum of damages disputes.

He also provides advice in non-contentious matters such as commercial due diligence, MBO pricing, and valuation advice for restructuring projects.

Having led teams for many years as a partner in Hong Kong and the Caribbean, Gwynn has a thorough understanding of both the onshore and offshore aspects of appointments, and how to efficiently undertake multi-jurisdictional engagements.

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Edward Middleton
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Edward Middleton is a managing director with Alvarez & Marsal's Restructuring group in Hong Kong. He brings more than 20 years of experience working throughout Asia.

Mr Middleton's notable assignments include: serving as lead liquidator of Lehman Brothers' operations in Asia; leading the financial restructuring of the state owned Vietnam Shipbuilding Co., Ltd (Vinashin) via a UK scheme of arrangement; leading the financial restructuring of China's Evergrande Real Estate Group; and acting as financial advisor to CIC in the restructuring of Bumi Resources in Indonesia.

Prior to joining A&M, Mr Middleton served as a managing director at Houlihan Lokey, where he was Co-Head of its Asian Financial Restructuring Group. This position followed a long tenure as a partner of KPMG China, where he led its restructuring and insolvency business in China and the Asia-Pacific region for 10 years.

Mr Middleton earned a bachelor's degree in economics and politics from the University of Manchester. He is a Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and of INSOL International, and is a member of International Insolvency Institute.

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Neill Poole
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Neill Poole is a senior managing director in Hong Kong, and has worked in Asia for over 20 years. He has accumulated extensive regional experience in dispute services, forensic accounting and financial investigations. Prior to relocating to Asia from the United Kingdom, Neill trained as a chartered accountant on the audit team of a Big 4 accountancy practice and, soon after qualifying in 1988, specialised in forensic accounting.

Neill has been involved in a number of complex and high-profile dispute and investigations cases in the Asia region and elsewhere and has given expert accounting witness evidence on more than 20 occasions in tribunals in Hong Kong, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore and the United Kingdom.

He is regularly called upon to carry out investigations into fraud and corruption, trace assets and act as an expert witness to opine on claims for losses. Neill is typically required to assess loss of profit claims and business valuations and advise on the technical accounting issues arising in disputes. Much of his work is carried out in the context of international arbitrations seated in Asia and elsewhere

Neill has a Bachelor of Arts (Hons) degree in economics. He is an associate of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, a fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants, a member of the Academy of Experts, a member of the Expert Witness Institute, a certified fraud examiner and an associate member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators.

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Peers and clients say: "Edward is clearly one of the market-leading asset recovery practitioners in Hong Kong" "Mr Middleton's first-class reputation is well deserved" "He is a knowledgeable and experienced practitioner"

Peers and clients say: "Neill ensures impressive robustness under cross-examination" "Mr Poole is very persuasive before tribunals as an expert" "He is a highly recommended name in the asset recovery space"



Keith Williamson

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Keith Williamson is a Managing Director with Alvarez & Marsal based in London who also leads the firm's Disputes and Investigations team in Hong Kong and China. He brings more than 25 years of forensic and investigative accounting experience (including 12 years in Asia), specialising in investigations of fraud, corruption (U.S. FCPA / U.K. Bribery Act) and regulatory issues, asset tracing and recovery (including cryptocurrency), and litigation support and expert witness services for disputes.

He has presented evidence and been cross-examined in legal proceedings relating to forensic accounting matters.

Most recently at A&M, Mr. Williamson has been investigating allegations of U.S. FCPA violations in China and the Asia-Pacific region, identifying and tracing cryptocurrency transactions in financial frauds and disputes, performing forensic accounting reviews of alleged fraudulent activity in Hong Kong, China, Singapore and Malaysia, performing an investigation and financial restatement exercise for the Asia operations of a listed European company, acting as a Compliance Monitor for a Chinese State-Owned Enterprise on behalf of a Multilateral Development Bank, leading an anti-money laundering review of a Macanese institution, and conducting investigations of alleged fraud and corruption in the China operations of multi-national pharmaceutical companies.

Before joining A&M, Mr. Williamson spent six years with AlixPartners in London, most recently serving as managing director, conducting investigations and anti-corruption compliance reviews and providing dispute services across Europe, Africa and the Middle East. He also spent 10 years with Deloitte's forensic and dispute services team, including three years working in their Hong Kong office.

Mr. Williamson earned a bachelor's degree in law from the University of Birmingham. He is a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales and the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Alternative address: Park House, 16-18 Finsbury Circus, London, EC2M 7EB

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"He is very strong on fraud analysis"

Netherlands

Frank Erkens

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Frank Erkens is founder and managing partner at Holland Integrity Group in Amsterdam. He is a leading veteran with over 35 years of experience as a financial crime investigator, forensic accountant and expert witness, having worked at law enforcement agencies for 16 years and in the private sector at international audit firms. He heads the investigative practice at Holland Integrity Group and works closely together with law firms and investigative firms all over the world.

Frank acts for both claimants and defendants in criminal, civil, regulatory, disciplinary, insolvency and administrative matters involving allegations of financial crime. Clients include banks, insurance companies, pension funds, multinational companies, governmental agencies, trust companies, investment companies and other businesses operating all over the world. His experience covers many jurisdictions on all continents.

Frank has extensive experience in conducting complex international cases using an interdisciplinary approach. His team consists of recognised specialists, such as auditors and accountants, legal consultants, IT experts, psychologists and operational experts. Frank has the ability to direct and combine the various disciplines needed for obtaining information and solid results.

Frank is recognised as a leading expert in the tracing and recovery of stolen assets, and has a long track record for operating in civil and common law jurisdictions, working closely together with law enforcement agencies, law firms, regulators and local investigative firms. Frank is a member of the National Register of Judicial Experts, the English Expert Witness Institute and the European Expertise and Expert Institute, as well as various bodies of forensic investigators, such as the Belgium Institute of Fraud Experts and the Netherlands Financial Forensic Institute.

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Peers and clients say: "Frank always thinks outside the box and strategises on a macro rather than micro basis"
"He understand the pros and cons of many legal systems, which is a massive advantage to any client"
"Frank has a vast international network"

New Zealand



Mark McDonald
Grant Thornton

Mark McDonald is a partner with Grant Thornton New Zealand and he continues to work on international asset recovery assignments.

Mark has been listed as an offshore Thought Leader by *Who's Who Legal: Asset Recovery* for the years 2017 to 2022 inclusive.

Mark returned to his home country of New Zealand in 2021 having spent 18 years working on international asset recovery assignments in the Cayman Islands, England and the BVI.

Mark is keen to utilise his international asset recovery skills whilst being based in the South Pacific. He has vast experience of contentious cross border insolvency matters. He is the liquidator of the world's second largest Ponzi scheme, Stanford International bank Limited, where his role is to recover value for 20,000 victims who lost over US\$5 billion. He previously acted as a liquidator of two BVI financing vehicles that advanced over US\$ 2 billion to the OAS Construction Group in Brazil (OAS). OAS were forced to reorganise following their role in a massive corruption scandal. Mark sought Chapter 15 recognition in the US as the foreign officeholder of the BVI vehicles and this application was strongly opposed by the OAS Brazilian parties. This led to a contested hearing before the US Bankruptcy Court in New York in which Mark was deposed and cross-examined. The parties subsequently reached a consensual resolution which allowed the Brazilian reorganisation to proceed.

Mark is known for his efficient pursuit of cases and his commercial and pragmatic approach.

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"His approach is thoughtful and measured"

Portugal



Geoff Varga
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Geoff Varga is a managing director within Kroll's Restructuring group and is primarily focused on contentious and non-contentious restructuring and insolvency matters emanating from offshore financial centers. Geoff has over 25 years of public practice experience, with a focus on financial restructurings, insolvency (liquidations, receiverships, bankruptcies), due diligence engagements, litigation support and forensic investigations.

He has broad international engagement experience which he acquired while working in Canada, New Zealand, the Cayman Islands and the United States. Geoff has completed numerous insolvency/restructuring engagements on behalf of lenders, company management, creditors and shareholders. Industries covered have included asset management (hedge funds, PE funds, SPVs and offshore holding companies), energy and mining, transportation, technology, hospitality and real estate.

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Singapore



Stefano Demichelis
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Stefano Demichelis is a managing director in the Forensic Investigations and Intelligence practice and leads the Financial Investigations team for Southeast Asia. With over 20 years of experience in fraud investigations, Stefano advises clients on preventing, detecting, and investigating fraud. Passionate about the innovative application of data analytics to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of risk mitigation, Stefano has developed tailored fraud detection tests, OSINT techniques and established data mining techniques to facilitate and conduct fraud investigations across various sectors.

Before joining Kroll, Stefano worked at TNT in the Netherlands as an international auditor before being appointed as investigations audit manager, responsible for carrying out fraud investigations on behalf of the TNT Audit Department.

Notable cases led by Stefano include an asset recovery investigation to recover USD 270 million of stolen funds. He also managed a large project in Mongolia on behalf of the Central Bank concerning the capital increases of six Banks. Stefano has conducted several complex internal investigations, including an analysis into FOREX fixing allegations on behalf of the Malaysian Regulator, and an Anti-Money Laundering remediation exercise for the largest private sector bank in Bangladesh, helping them build an effective risk-based platform and transaction monitoring system.

Stefano also has vast experience helping clients effectively tackle bribery and corruption risk. Notable assignments include co-managing an investigation into dealings between Norsk Hydro and its consultants around the world to identify potential breaches of Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) rules prior to Statoil's acquisition of Norsk Hydro's Oil and Gas business.

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Peers and clients say: "Stefano thinks well ahead when planning a strategy"
"He is comprehensive in his advice"
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United Arab Emirates



Jacqui Record

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USA • Florida



Robert Lindquist

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Bob Lindquist, director of forensics at Sequor Law, is focused on the assessment and execution of financial investigations based upon his analytical ability, intuition and knowledge of fraud gained from 40 years of domestic and international investigative cases.

Lindquist's extensive case experience includes many high-profile investigations on behalf of corporations and governments in the USA, Antigua, Austria, Brazil, Canada, Grenada, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Ivory Coast, Jamaica, the Netherlands, Malawi, Trinidad, Romania, St Lucia, Switzerland and the UK. He has obtained courtroom experience through expert witness testimony on over 60 occasions, and attendance with counsel at trials and depositions. Lindquist is the author of *Accounting as an Investigative Aid*; and co-author *Fraud Auditing and Forensic Accounting* and *The Accountant's Handbook of Fraud & Commercial Crime*.

Prior to joining Sequor Law, Lindquist was senior partner at Lindquist Forensics for some 20 years; before this he spent three years as principal at PricewaterhouseCoopers in Washington, DC. He is regent emeritus at the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners.

Lindquist was recognised for his professional contributions via election as a fellow of the Institute of Chartered Professional Accountants of Ontario; and election to the board of regents, and later as chair, of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners in Austin, Texas.

Lindquist has conducted many presentations on financial crime at fora including the IBA Conference in Cancun; the International Money Laundering Conference in Montreal; the ABA White-Collar Crime Conference in San Francisco; and the Pacific Rim Money Laundering and Financial Crimes Conference in Vancouver. His presentations, whose titles need no explanation, include "Lack of Ethics and Poor Controls = Corruption", "The Mindset of Corruption: A Case Study in Greed", "Detecting Fraud and Non-Compliance", "What to Expect From Your Forensic Accountant" and "Facts Beyond the Numbers: Forensic Accounting."

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USA • Florida



Barbara Miranda
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In November 2011, The World Bank published *The Puppet Masters: How the Corrupt Hide Stolen Assets Using Legal Structures and What to Do About It*. Bob Lindquist was an adviser in what the Bank described as the “investigators’ project”, acting as a source for facts and opinions.

In 2019, Lindquist advised an NYSE public company that had purchased a company in 2014 and later learned of the false financial representations that led to an arbitration award in 2019; Lindquist worked to determine the whereabouts of the “purchase funds”, being some C\$60 million traced to recover assets. In 2017-2018 advised a liquidator in Chile in relation to the alleged Ponzi scheme of Alberto Chang Rajji, dubbed “the Chilean Madoff”, to determine the whereabouts of the investors’ funds totalling some \$201 million that were transferred through eight countries over six years.

In 2015, Lindquist acted on behalf of the plaintiff to conduct a study of the \$1.5 billion in disbursements, flowing from a contract with the US government to deliver fuel to troops in Iraq, among domestic and foreign bank accounts for the years 2006 to 2010. This revealed a parallel disbursement structure between the USA and Europe/the Middle East and to identify potential assets for recovery related to the targets.

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Ernest Brod is a managing director with Alvarez & Marsal Disputes and Investigations in New York and leads the firm’s business intelligence practice. Mr Brod has extensive experience in applying cutting edge forensic techniques to corporate investigations and providing in-depth business intelligence services to clients around the world.

Mr Brod is credited with groundbreaking work in applying a variety of investigative tools on behalf of companies engaged in litigation, global asset searches, enhanced due diligence and in corporate contests and transactions. In 30 years as an investigative and intelligence consultant, Mr Brod has worked with the country’s leading law firms, corporations and financial institutions. His efforts helped the field of business investigations gain acceptance from corporate America and prominent law firms.

Mr Brod has uncovered assets around the world of borrowers who owe hundreds of millions of dollars to the four systemic Greek banks. He led the search for assets of the government of Venezuela and for Baby Doc Duvalier’s pirated assets on behalf of the government of Haiti. According to *Who’s Who Legal: Asset Recovery 2015*, Mr Brod “excels in tracing hidden assets”.

Mr Brod is widely recognised as an authority on shareholder activism, proxy contests and hostile takeovers. By looking for hidden issues within companies, as well as insufficient disclosure or misrepresentation by their principals, his investigative work has helped clients reduce the risk of fraud, Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) issues, and Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and terrorism concerns. In recent years, he has led panel discussions at the New York City Bar Association and at the Federal Bar Council Inns of Court about “pretexting” and the impact of the Hewlett-Packard case on corporate investigations. He has also written and lectured extensively on dotcom fraud, hostile takeovers, investigative due diligence, doing business in Asia, and litigation intelligence.

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Prior to joining A&M, Mr Brod led the business intelligence practice at Navigant and was a director in the forensic and dispute services practice for Deloitte FAS. Earlier, he spent 17 years with Kroll as one of the leaders of its investigation and intelligence business, and was a founder and CEO of Citigate Global Intelligence. Early in his career, he served for five years as an attorney/investigator with the Federal Trade Commission.

Mr Brod earned a BA from Columbia College and a JD from Columbia Law School.

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Coordinating with BDO practice leaders around the globe representing BDO's global network of 1,600 offices in 167 countries, Mr Pomerantz organises and oversees international resources on cross-border matters to serve the needs of the firm's multinational clients. He has significant experience in anti-corruption compliance and investigative matters in emerging and developed markets. He also has significant investigative and compliance experience in matters involving embezzlement, theft, Ponzi schemes, fraudulent conveyances and financial reporting fraud. His dispute resolution experience includes providing expert witness testimony and consulting services in connection with complex economic damages across a range of disputes in domestic and international venues. Mr Pomerantz has served as a court-appointed umpire and referee, and as a neutral arbitrator.

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