

John Tillman

Partner

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Biography

As a partner, John Tillman advises clients on major commercial disputes, focusing particularly on cases involving financial transactions and insolvency/distressed situations. He also regularly advises on fraud and asset recovery exercises, from investigations through to litigation and enforcement. The majority of John's cases have an international element, and he regularly advises on disputes involving multiple jurisdictions where cross-border co-ordination is critical.

He guides a wide range of clients, including financial institutions, major corporates, pension schemes and insolvency practitioners through some of the most complex and sensitive disputes with a focus in each case on his client's strategic objectives. Regularly recommended in the leading directories, John advised on many of the most significant disputes to arise from the financial crisis, ranging from his work for insolvency practitioners on SIV defaults to advising the security trustee on a dispute concerning the validity of 'flip' clauses in structured finance deals. He advised the UK pension scheme and the PPF in the international litigation arising from the worldwide Nortel insolvency, and is currently advising a variety of financial institutions and officeholders on matters ranging from an ISDA dispute to a substantial capital markets dispute.



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Languages

English

Practices

Business Restructuring and
Insolvency

Corporate and Securities Litigation

Investigations, White Collar, and
Fraud

Litigation Services

Commercial Litigation

Banking and Finance Litigation

Insolvency Litigation

Industries

Financial Institutions

John has advised on three cases which have reached the UK Supreme Court, and regularly presents and publishes on litigation and insolvency related topics.

Representative experience

Advising a financial institution on a dispute arising out of the extension of a swap under ISDA documentation.

Advising the administrators of Lehman Brothers Holdings plc (In Administration) on the Waterfall III litigation.

Advising overseas liquidators on recognition in England and in obtaining a freezing order against a former officer of the company.

Advising the UK pension scheme trustee and the PPF in the English and worldwide Nortel litigation.

Advising US Bank Trustees Limited as security trustee in the Windermere VII CMBS litigation concerning Class X notes.

Advising the Liquidator of Landsbanki Luxembourg SA on asset recovery litigation against a borrower involving a full trial in England.

Advising BNY Mellon as security trustee in the Perpetual/Belmont litigation concerning the validity of 'flip clauses' in a synthetic CDO programme.

Advising a major retail bank in the conduct of investigations concerning suspected fraud within an entity to which the bank had lent over £100m.

Advising the Receivers appointed over various SIVs, including Cheyne Finance Plc, Rhinebridge Plc and Sigma Finance Corporation.

Advising commercial property landlords on their successful challenge to the company voluntary arrangement (CVA) promoted by the electrical goods retailer, PRG Powerhouse.

Latest thinking and events

■ News

- English court disclosure pilot made permanent

Education and admissions

Education

LPC, Oxford Institute of Legal Practice, 2000

B.A. (Jurisprudence), University of Oxford, 1999

- News
 - Significant developments in the UK's insolvency regime: a creditor's perspective
- News
 - Getting the Deal Through: M&A Litigation 2021
- News
 - Litigation Landscape: managing your COVID-19 risk
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Getting The Deal Through: M&A Litigation 2019 - United Kingdom *Law Business Research*
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