

Overview

The insurance industry and businesses that buy insurance face challenging times as the extent and nature of the risk they face constantly changes. To successfully navigate complex risk management, and legal and regulatory issues, you need experienced lawyers who understand the insurance market.

Our UK insurance practice combines technical expertise with solid market knowledge. We bring a practical, commercially-minded approach to all our cases. We handle both contentious and non-contentious work covering the whole range of risks for which insurance is used, so whether you are dealing with a complex claim, an issue of interpreting policy wording or negotiating amendments to ensure the policy wording reflects the degree of risk transfer anticipated, our insurance group are the natural choice.

We are proficient in the management and resolution of insurance disputes. We appreciate that disputes are an unwanted disruption and a distraction from your commercial business. Our technical insight into the way the market works and how policies are likely to be constructed by the insurance market and the courts, enables us to analyze your prospects of success and provide strategic advice to help you make informed decisions to attain that success.

Our cases involve large-scale complex multi-party litigation and arbitration for clients around the world. We are adept at creative litigation strategies, structuring settlements and work outs. Because we understand the fluid legal landscape, you will never be paying us to learn our business.

As part of our practice, we advise on insurance and risk management issues arising in transactional work, and undertake reviews of the "due diligence" insurance arrangements for acquisitions and large-scale operation and maintenance, energy, technological, construction, infrastructure and outsourcing projects. The aim of the due diligence is to ensure that the risk transfer (including in relation to historic liability issues, if applicable) is robust, that insurable interests are protected to the maximum extent available in the market and that the risks of policies not responding to valid claims are limited.

Whether you are a professional, commercial operator, developer, owner or financier, we advise you across a range of industry sectors on the extent to which insurance and alternative means of risk transfer can be used as a means of managing particular risks. We draft and negotiate the insurance clauses to be included in your transaction documents and work with brokers to negotiate amendments and additions to policy wordings to reflect the degree of risk transfer negotiated.

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