

# New Banking and Finance Litigation team joins Dentons

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**London** —Dentons' Financial Markets and Commercial Disputes Group has been strengthened by the arrival of the Banking and Finance Litigation group from Matthew Arnold and Baldwin. The team of 11 partners, 34 associates and 30 paralegals, led by Steven Mills and Clare Stothard, is predominantly focussed on financial litigation and investigations work for major banks. They have experience of handling complex disputes for investment and retail banks and other financial institutions. They also cover disputes involving investment products, mis-selling, derivatives, fraud and asset recoveries, investigations, compliance and regulatory reviews.

The team will remain at its base in Watford and will be part of the single integrated Financial Markets and Commercial Disputes Group across the London, Watford and Milton Keynes offices led by Richard Caird.

The Banking and Finance Litigation Partners include:

Steven Mills is a partner in the Financial Markets and Commercial Disputes practice in Dentons' Watford office. He is ranked by Chambers as a "Band 1" lawyer for banking litigation. In both Chambers and Partners and The Legal 500, he has consistently been recognised as a "leader in his field". Steven has significant trial and mediation experience and acts in a wide range of financial disputes relating to investment and retail banking products and issues over security and enforcement. He also advises on investigations and regulatory reviews, market misconduct, misselling and breaches of banks' controls and systems. Steven has been the relationship partner for several of the largest banking clients.

Clare Stothard is a partner in the Financial Markets and Commercial Disputes practice in Dentons' Watford office. She is experienced in all aspects of investment and retail banking litigation, regulatory compliance and investigations. In recent years her particular focus has been on litigation relating to the misselling of derivatives and she has taken the lead role for one particular financial institution. Clare has been the relationship partner for several of the largest banking clients and has been on several secondments to major banks. She has been consistently recommended in the legal directories over the past decade.

Jackie Hanlon is a partner in the Financial Markets and Commercial Disputes practice in Dentons' Watford office and heads the Volume Recoveries team. She has over 25 years' experience of acting for major banks, building societies, financial institutions and third party servicing companies in all aspects of secured, unsecured and asset finance recoveries. Jackie represents a variety of banks and financial institutions in both the prime and non-status markets.

Timothy Constable is a partner in the Financial Markets and Commercial Disputes practice in Dentons' Watford office. He is a commercial litigator and CEDR accredited mediator. Tim resolves complex commercial disputes by negotiation, mediation, arbitration or litigation. He focuses on disputes involving commercial contracts, professional indemnity, commercial fraud and corruption, product liability, corporate disputes and commercial agency related matters. He also has extensive experience in freezing and search and seizure orders. Many of his cases involve an international element.

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