

Representative Legal Matters

Benjamin Levitt

Restructuring and Insolvency

- Acting for Citibank in winding up petitions totalling c.USD 600 million against various entities in the Gupta Family Group.
- Acted for a director of various insolvent companies in relation to actions by administrators and liquidators.
- Acted for an Australian company resisting a Winding Up Petition by HMRC in the Bankruptcy Court.
- Acting for a Distressed Debt Fund to enforce c. USD 100 million of judgment debts in UAE.
- Acted for Jain International Trading BV in a Scheme of Arrangement to restructure USD 200 million on bondholder notes.
- Acted for Hilton in connection with the insolvency of contractual partner; advised on insolvency process and proof of debt.
- Acted for Trustees of the Merchant Navy Pension Fund in connection with the pursuit of a debt against a defaulting participating employer, which resulted in a Winding Up Order being obtained.
- Acted for the Joint Liquidators of The Ideal Insurance Company Limited in connection with the successful application to defer the dissolution of the company following the submission of final accounts.

- Acted for an Australian company in connection with resisting a Winding Up Petition by HMRC in the Bankruptcy Court; successfully obtained a 70-day adjournment before ultimate winding up as company was unable to pay undisputed debt.
- During Judicial Assistant Secondment to the Chancery Division from September 2015 - December 2015 I clerked for Snowden J and assisted him with research and drafting judgments in connection with cases before him, including in respect of schemes of arrangements.

Commercial Litigation

- Acted for a Sovereign Entity in respect of proceedings in the Cayman Islands, the USA, and Hong Kong in relation to a c. USD 500 million claim including Norwich Pharmacal Application in Hong Kong and s.1782 Application in the USA.
- Acted for Dubai Islamic Bank in connection with a USD 2 billion claim brought against it in the Commercial Court relating to a USD 560 million fraud in Dubai.
- Acted for Dubai Islamic Bank in connection with a claim brought against it for breach of a settlement agreement.
- Acted for White Oak in a GBP 6 million summary judgment claim against defaulting payees.
- Acted for a defendant in respect of a USD 550 million claim in the Court of Appeal.
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- Acted for an international logistics company in respect of a disputed debt arising out of a fraud investigation.
- Acted for Championship football club in connection with a GBP 36 million breach of contract claim in the Commercial Court.

Arbitration

- Acting for two multinational retailers in respect of a USD 600 million LCIA arbitration.
- Acted for a Spanish bank in connection with a GBP 1 million breach of representation and warranty claim in a LCIA arbitration.

Expert Determination

 Acted for a multinational company in a post-M&A working capital value adjustment dispute in expert determination.

Advisory

- Advised multinational social media company in relation to responses to regulators in Latin America and Asia Pacific following widely reported data breach.
- Advising Saudi Arabian chemicals company on merits of claim against contractor following explosion at plant.
- Advised multinational chemicals company in connection with suspected bribery in India and South Korea.
- Advised a Qatari bank in connection with three unpaid mortgages totally GBP 1.3 million.
- Advised a wind power energy company in respect of force majeure claim brought against them by one of its contractors.
- Advised a shareholder in an AIM listed African-based energy company in order to ascertain their shareholders' rights following a deterioration in the value of the company.

- Advised an multinational software company in respect of an unpaid invoice with a Nigerian telecommunications company.
- Advised a multinational hotel company on the data breach notification regimes in 65 jurisdictions following a data breach.