

# COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

## USING LOCAL INSIGHT TO RESOLVE GLOBAL DISPUTES

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Every deal or transaction carries with it the risk of a dispute. Successful businesses require lawyers that can pre-empt the issues that may surface, take steps to minimise them and then react quickly and effectively when a dispute arises.

We routinely assist our clients with pre-emptive advice on potentially contentious aspects of major corporate and financial transactions. If a dispute arises, we help our clients to navigate all types of largescale commercial litigation on a global basis. Through our depth of industry knowledge across a diverse range of sectors we give our clients business ready advice that enables them to approach a dispute, confident that we will guide them to the most commercial resolution.

Our clients range from multinational corporations and major financial institutions through to governments and high-profile individuals. We tailor our advice to the nature of the dispute and the appetite of the client. We appreciate there is often the need to maintain an ongoing relationship with the opponent and that there is a time to hit hard and a time to take a more measured approach. Alternative Dispute Resolution is an integral tool in our kit and we regularly resolve disputes through settlement negotiations and mediation.

Our ability to collaborate between offices and to quickly draw together large international teams means our clients benefit from 24 hour attention on time sensitive matters.

Our full service offering extends beyond traditional legal advice. Our Global Alternative Legal Services business offers cost effective technological solutions for document intensive cases. Our in-house global advocacy capability means our advocates play a critical role in the strategy of the dispute from the outset and minimise the cost and time involved in instructing external counsel.

**LITIGATION NOTES** - [Find the latest developments on commercial litigation law and practice on our blog.](#)

## RELATED EXPERTISE

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## RECENT EXPERIENCE

### **CREDIT SUISSE INTERNATIONAL**

Advising on a range of significant litigation matters including Richard Desmond v. Credit Suisse International and a claim by CSI against Stichting Vestia Groep in relation to payments due under a number of derivative transactions

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## **BERNIE ECCLESTONE**

Advising in his dispute arising out of the sale of shares in the Formula 1 Group. The claim was dismissed in its entirety and the Court of Appeal refused permission to appeal. We also worked closely with Mr Ecclestone's US lawyers in connection with their successful jurisdictional challenge to a civil claim brought in New York

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## **BP**

Advising on contentious issues in contract and in tort, and in multiple jurisdictions and fora including the UK inquest proceedings, arising from the terrorist incident at the In Amenas gas facility in Algeria between 16-19 January 2013

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## **BHARTI AIRTEL**

Advising in defence of a claim in excess of US\$4 billion relating to its business in Nigeria. The dispute includes an international arbitration and court proceedings in several jurisdictions including Nigeria

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## **NORTEL NETWORKS UK (IN ADMINISTRATION) AND 18 OTHER EUROPEAN NORTEL COMPANIES**

Advising in relation to the global insolvency and sale of the Nortel group, which involved numerous applications to the English, US and Canadian courts, as well as bespoke arbitration proceedings between the global Nortel companies

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## LEIGHTON OFFSHORE PTE LTD

Advising in its high profile defence against a claim brought by Unaoil Limited in respect of an Iraqi oil pipeline project

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