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General Experience

Ed specialises in handling complex financial and regulatory disputes for financial institutions and has over 20 years' experience of advising clients in this area. Ed also represents clients on corruption and civil fraud related matters, notably in the area of suspected corrupt payments.

Ed is a member of the firm's Brexit team. [Click here](#) for more information.

Recent Work

- advising an investment adviser and Swiss private bank on a large commodities mis-selling claim brought by a high net worth individual
- representing Deutsche Bank (Suisse) SA on a £55m real estate financing dispute before the UK Commercial Court
- acting for a global investment bank on two cross border regulatory/criminal investigations in Italy representing a financial institution on a substantial libel and damages claim concerning its tax structuring business in the US
- acting for a global manufacturer of defence equipment in relation to an investigation by the UK Serious Fraud Office into suspected corrupt payments
- representing a Thai power producer on a £100m ICC arbitration concerning the breach of an exclusivity agreement to acquire a power plant in South East Asia.

Background

Ed qualified as an English solicitor in 1997. Before joining the Simmons & Simmons financial markets litigation practice in October 2012, Ed worked at two leading international law firms in the City.

In March 2016, Ed was elected president of the London Solicitors Litigation Association (LSLA), an association which represents the interests of over 2400 litigation solicitors in London. In that capacity, Ed has played a leading role for the profession on a number of significant Court reform initiatives by participating as the solicitor representative on judge-led working groups, including:

- The Shorter and Flexible Trials Scheme: responsible for devising an innovative new fast track procedure for commercial disputes proceeding in the Business and Property Courts
- Rolls Building Working Group on the implications of Brexit for UK Civil Justice (2016): tasked with producing an advisory report for the Senior Judiciary and Ministry of Justice on the implications of Brexit for UK Civil Justice
- Rolls Building Working Group on Disclosure for commercial cases: Ed, along with two members of the judiciary are producing some radical new proposals for revising the current rules on disclosure with a view to reducing the burden and costs of the process. The proposals will be the subject of industry consultation later in 2017 and, subject to CPRC approval will be launched in 2018 for used in business and property cases in the High Court.

Ed regularly speaks out on key reform issues affecting UK civil justice and the litigation profession with a particular focus on disputes in London. He has written numerous articles and his views and comments on litigation hot topics have been widely publicised in the legal and national press.

Ed is recommended by Chambers & Partners for banking litigation where he is described as "a litigation partner with a huge amount of experience of financial disputes", "extremely responsive" and at "pains to make client relationships work". Ed is also noted in The Legal 500 for 2011 as "a real force to be reckoned with".