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Jamie Curle is a partner in the Litigation and Arbitration team in London. He is experienced in cross border disputes, particularly in the banking, funds and financial services sectors (including structured products disputes), fraud and asset tracing matters and natural resources disputes. He has been involved in a large number of complex and high profile cases in recent years before domestic and international courts as well as arbitral tribunals.

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Banking and Finance Litigation
- White Collar and Corporate Crime
- International Arbitration

Jamie has consistently been recommended by *Legal 500* and *Chambers & Partners* for commercial litigation, fraud and banking litigation. Clients describe Jamie as "outstanding", as having "an excellent strategic grasp of all issues", as a "superlative and brilliant strategist" who has "excellent rapport with legal counsel and client alike" and as a "classy and sophisticated analyser of macro and micro issues" (*Legal 500*).

- Representing a Middle Eastern construction company and its principals in the defence of a US\$600m claim before the English High Court alleging conspiracy to defraud.
- Acting for a major investment bank in proceedings in England, New York and Tanzania in relation to the recovery of US\$140 million of secured assets invested into a power station project in Dar es Salaam, involving proceedings in England, Tanzania, The Netherlands and the United States.
- Representing a Middle Eastern bank in relation to its restructuring and refinancing and associated multi-jurisdictional litigation involving claims in excess of US\$9 billion brought in various Gulf States, England, the US, Switzerland and the Cayman Islands
- Acting for a joint venture company in an LCIA London arbitration concerning a shareholder dispute in respect of contracts entered into by a major commodities trader, with a value of approximately US\$50 billion
- Advising the Receiver of a European bank in relation to the recovery of US\$3.5 billion allegedly misappropriated from the business by members of the former management.
- Acting for a Russian oil and gas major in the successful defence of an application to enforce an arbitral award of US\$2.5 billion in England and in related proceedings.

- Representing a Gulf-based bank in the investigation and successful recovery of over US\$300 million of assets allegedly misappropriated through infrastructure projects, involving actions in Switzerland, the Cayman Islands, the BVI, Jersey and London.
- Acting for a US multinational in the investigation of a systemic and long running fraud perpetrated across a number of European jurisdictions by an IP holder, and securing a very favourable settlement.
- Representing a major international bank in the defence of claims in England and Monaco arising out of historic FX trades placed with a Monaco subsidiary of the bank.
- Acting for a major international consumer products company in the successful defence at first instance and in the Court of Appeal of a class action brought in the English High Court in respect of alleged liability arising from an armed invasion of the property of an African subsidiary company

## CREDENTIALS

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### Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

### Recognitions

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*Legal 500, 2020* has the following client commentary:

- “Jamie Curle is absolutely brilliant at running cases, moving between the macro and the micro; he has huge expertise in juggling proceedings in different jurisdictions and is a joy to work with”.
- “Jamie Curle has excellent client skills and good team management”.

### Education

- College of Law, Graduate Diploma in Law and Postgraduate Diploma in Legal Practice
- London University, B.A. Hons (1st class)

### Memberships

- Law Society of England and Wales
- London Solicitors' Litigation Association
- Transparency International

## INSIGHTS

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### Publications

#### **Lloyd v Google – Supreme Court Judgment – report and impacts on data protection and mass claims in the UK**

10 November 2021

UK Supreme Court allowed Google's appeal against the Court of Appeal decision which had previously granted Mr Lloyd permission to serve his representative claim on Google in the United States. The judgment brings to an end to one of the most significant issues to come before the UK Courts concerning class actions and data protection regimes.

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## Why anti-suit injunctions may be on the rise after Brexit

27 October 2021

The departure of the UK from the EU is expected to lead to a rise in the number of anti-suit injunctions sought in the English courts. In this article we consider the four main reasons why that is likely to be the case.

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## Cayman Islands Court of Appeal confirms availability of Norwich Pharmacal relief in foreign proceedings in *Arcelormittal USA LLC v Essar Global Fund Limited & ors*

18 May 2021

The Cayman Islands Court of Appeal has confirmed that the Norwich Pharmacal relief is available in the Cayman Islands in aid of foreign proceedings, a matter on which there was some doubt in light of recent English High Court decisions .

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## Court of Appeal agrees it is arguable that a duty of care may arise in relation to end-of-life asset disposal

12 March 2021

On 10 March 2021, the English Court of Appeal handed down its decision in *Hamad Begum (on behalf of MD Khalil Mollah) v Maran (UK) Limited*.

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## *Rowe & ors v Ingenious Media Holdings*: the importance of capitalised funders

1 February 2021

The recent decision in *Rowe & ors v Ingenious Media Holdings* provides some important clarification of aspects of the UK adverse costs regime applicable to third party funders, an area which poses particular risks and challenges to the market.

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## Boardroom Brexit: What the deal means for dispute resolution

31 December 2020

Boardroom Brexit

This was one of the most contentious areas in the negotiations as both sides wanted assurances that the other party would honour the commitments contained in the TCA in the future.

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## 'Parent company' liability: from Vedanta to BHP

18 December 2020

On 9 November 2020, the English High Court handed down its decision in *Município De Mariana & Ors v BHP Group Plc & Anor [2020] EWHC 2930 (BHP)*, striking out for abuse of process what would have been the largest mass tort claim in English legal history.

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## Brexit: Choice of Law, Jurisdiction, Enforcement, and Service

27 November 2020

This article looks at the impact of reaching the end of the Brexit transition period (at 11pm on 31 December 2020) on governing law, jurisdiction, enforcement, and service in contracts between UK entities and EU member state entities.

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## Shipping agent potentially responsible for alleged negligent disposal of ship in Bangladesh

3 August 2020

The recent case of *Hamid Begum v Maran (UK) Ltd* [2020] EWHC 1846 (QB) builds on recent trends which have seen Courts extending traditional boundaries of tortious liability.

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## Mass employment claims in the UK

30 July 2020

In the UK there has been a sharp increase in mass employment claims, or Class Actions, which occur where a number of employees with a similar or shared complaint come together to seek redress from an employer.

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## Court of Appeal confirms mining company is not liable for human rights abuses in Sierra Leone

17 July 2020

Earlier this year, the Court of Appeal handed down its judgment in the case of *Kalma v (1) African Minerals Limited, (2) African Minerals (SL) Limited and (3) Tonkolili Iron Ore (SL) Limited*. In this case review, we consider the Court's findings in relation to (i) accessory liability and (ii) companies' duty of care when operating abroad.

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## The rise and rise of shareholders' Class Actions in the UK

18 June 2020

In the UK there has been a steady rise in shareholders' Class Actions including several Class Actions launched by unhappy shareholders against the companies they invest in.

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## The collapse in oil prices: force majeure and other strategies

27 May 2020

On 20 April 2020, the WTI benchmark price for crude oil in the US temporarily fell to negative \$37.63, the first time in history it has fallen below zero. One question many clients are posing is whether a collapse in oil prices might excuse performance of a contract on force majeure grounds.

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## New era for privacy and data breach Class Actions in the UK

12 May 2020

The recent decision in the *Morrison's* case and the judgment in *Lloyd v Google* have significant implications for the growth of privacy and data protection Class Actions in the UK. If this type of Class Action can progress, the risks for organisations who commit a data breach will be unprecedented.

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## Court of Appeal overturns *FRC v Sports Direct*: Regulator's powers do not override legal professional privilege

11 May 2020

On 18 February 2020 the Court of Appeal handed down judgment in *Sports Direct International plc v The Financial Reporting Council* [2020] EWCA Civ 177, partially overturning the High Court's decision of 2018 and clarifying that the powers of the Financial Reporting

Council (FRC) do not extend to compelling delivery up of privileged documents.

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### **Force Majeure Certificates in a global context: What are they and what is their effect?**

30 April 2020

On 30 January 2020 the China Council for the Promotion of International Trade announced that it would offer Force Majeure Certificates to local businesses. The intention was to assist them in prospective disputes with foreign counterparties.

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### **ICC updates its force majeure and hardship standard clauses**

27 April 2020

In view of the current uncertainty created by COVID-19, the International Chamber of Commerce has recently updated its “off the shelf” force majeure and hardship clauses. This article explains the relief that these two clauses offer and the main changes that the ICC has introduced in its standard clauses.

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### **Update: The Singapore Mediation Convention will come into force on 12 September 2020**

6 April 2020

The Singapore Mediation Convention will come into force on 12 September 2020. This follows Qatar becoming the third country to ratify the convention on 12 March 2020, following Singapore and Fiji (both 25 February 2020).

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### **Acquisition interrupted? The potential impact of nascent class actions on mergers and acquisitions**

1 April 2020

A recent case has illustrated the potential impact which group litigation / class actions based on so called parent company liability (i.e. the liability of parent companies for the acts of their foreign subsidiaries) can have on international businesses.

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### **No end in sight for mass financial services Class Actions in the UK**

30 March 2020

Financial services Class Actions have increased in recent years due to greater access to litigation funding, increased regulatory challenges, changes in the law such as GDPR and the prevalence of claims management companies.

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### **What has the English Commercial Court been dealing with in 2018-2019?**

16 March 2020

On 27 February 2020, the English Commercial Court published the Commercial Court Report 2018-2019.

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### **Coronavirus COVID-19 and frustration: Is your contract at risk? (United Kingdom)**

11 March 2020

The ongoing global coronavirus COVID-19 outbreak is creating uncertainty and difficulty for enterprises worldwide, particularly those

whose business depends on large gatherings of people. We're advising many such businesses on protecting their legal rights and mitigating the worst economic effects of the virus.

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### **CEDR's 2020 updates aim to drive continuity and procedural trust in commercial mediation**

20 February 2020

Following our "Mediation Masterclass" session for in-house lawyers, in conjunction with CEDR co-founders and seasoned mediators, Eileen Carroll and Karl Mackie in January 2020, a number of the themes explored in relation to mediation past, present and future are reflected in the 2020 updates to CEDR's model documents.

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### **DLA Piper and the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution collaborate on Business and Human Rights Mediation Initiative**

24 January 2020

DLA Piper is working with the Centre for Effective Dispute Resolution, and a core task force of collaborators, to establish a mediation facility to support the effective resolution of disputes relating to environmental, social and governance or business and human rights issues.

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### **How product liability Class Actions are growing in the UK**

18 December 2019

Product liability Class Actions in the UK... In the fourth in a series of films, our Class Actions Group discuss how Class Actions are developing in the product liability space in the UK.

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## **Events**

### **Previous**

#### **White Collar Crime, Investigations and Compliance Symposium**

5 October 2021

Webinar

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#### **CEE Webinar: What CEE perspective offers to third-party funding?**

22 April 2021

Webinar

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## **NEWS**

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### **DLA Piper and LCM collaborate with new third-party funder for DLA Piper clients**

13 August 2020

DLA Piper has entered into a non-exclusive arrangement with publicly listed disputes financier Litigation Capital Management (LCM), and a newly formed litigation funder, Aldersgate Funding Limited to offer clients of DLA Piper access to £150m for funding large-scale litigation and arbitration.

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