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Andrew Symons has a broad practice covering marine, non-marine, aviation and other non-life classes of business. Andrew has a particular focus on insurance and reinsurance dispute resolution as well as advising on wordings and coverage issues.

- Insurance
- Technology

Andrew acts for some of the leading reinsurers in the reinsurance market (both reinsureds and reinsurers) in arbitration or court proceedings in London, Germany, Bermuda and the US.

Andrew also regularly deals with claims for insurers and reinsurers on policies relating to banks, stockbrokers, lending institutions, bonds and future dealers. He has also acted for brokers.

In recent years, Andrew has been instructed by clients on some the major reinsurance market losses including the property and aviation losses arising out of 9/11 and the World Trade Center and the 207 Semptra Energy wildfire losses.

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- Represented leading reinsurers in the dispute with Lloyd's in relation to the Central Fund, which was settled on very favourable terms for reinsurers
 - Represented Equitas in the Kuwait Airways test case involving the aggregation of losses in the LMX market
 - Advised in King v Brandywine Re relating to the collection of reinsurance recoveries arising from the Exxon Valdez settlements

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

Prior Experience

2012 to date, Partner, DLA Piper

2001 to 2012, Partner, London based international law firm

Recognitions

Andrew is described by *Legal 500* as being "a very smart and pragmatic lawyer" and is a recognised leader in his field.

Education

- Kings College, London, BSc.
- College of Law

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Publications

DLA Piper's Practical Guide for Claims Managers in 2022 - Part 4

28 April 2022

Practical Guide for Claims Managers in 2022

In the fourth monthly edition of our Practical Guide for Claims Managers, we highlight some of the obligations imposed on insurers to handle claims fairly under English law and UK regulation, and the possible consequences in the event that they are not.

Reinsurance implications of the Supreme Court's judgment in the FCA business interruption Test Case

20 January 2021

Insurance Horizons

The Supreme Court's judgment in the FCA business interruption Test Case will have a significant impact on the property insurance market.

Running the orange light: Halliburton v Chubb

2 December 2020

Insurance Horizons

On Friday, 27 November 2020, the Supreme Court handed down a long awaited judgment in Halliburton v Chubb that concerned the issue of when an arbitrator should make disclosure of circumstances which may give rise to justifiable doubts as to his/her impartiality.
