



# Paul Fleming

Partner

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Paul leads the firm's restructuring and insolvency practice in London and Europe. He advises creditors (including institutional lenders and bondholders) stakeholders, insolvency practitioners, and directors on complex domestic and cross-border restructurings and insolvencies.

Paul is recognized as a leading advisor in restructuring and insolvency and is well-known for his practical approach. He is a member of both R3 and INSOL.

### **Key Matters**

Some of the experience represented below may have been handled at a previous firm.

#### **ADVISING ON HIGH-PROFILE MATTERS:**

• Abraaj Holdings: advised in relation to the largest private equity group operating in emerging markets with assets under management of approximately US\$13 billion. This includes advice in relation to the Joint Provisional

Liquidation of two trading Cayman entities as well as developing a co-ordinated restructuring proposal which considered a large number of SPV's and a complex private equity group.

- Lehman Brothers Limited: acted as counsel for PwC including various litigation claims between estates of up to £7
  billion, assignment of pension liabilities, the liability of shareholders to an unlimited company and the operation of
  the subordination of regulatory debt.
- Formula 1 -Force India: advised and co-ordinated the initiation of the administration process and purchase options.
- Victoria Gate Casino: advised shareholders regarding the pre-pack sale of one of the country's largest super
  casinos and succeeding in a court of appeal application for disclosure of information regarding the enforcement
  and sale.

#### **ACTING FOR OR WITH COMPLEX BONDHOLDER GROUPS:**

- Mechel Group: advising one of Russia's leading mining and metal companies upon the possible restructuring of its PXF facilities of US\$1.5 billion
- Nortel: advising Canadian Pension trustee interests in relation to the various disputes and settlement.
- Dexia Credit Local: acting for bondholders regarding claims arising from the restructuring of the bank.
- Punch Taverns: acting for noteholders in the restructuring.

#### **ADVISING UPON SIGNIFICANT REAL ESTATE POSITIONS:**

- Harris connection: co-ordinating enforcement over 5 aparthotels and a worldwide freezing order in relation to a £200m loan. Worked with Real Estate team to rectify planning arrangements and ultimately payment in full by refinancing and exit from an administration process.
- Credit Suisse International: acting for CSI concerning swap priority arrangements relating to the securitisation of a nursing homes group.

#### **ACTING IN CONTENTIOUS MATTERS INCLUDING FRAUD:**

- Lexi Holdings (variously reported): -successfully recovering significant assets for a syndicate of lenders.
- Levene bankruptcy-: acting for the trustee in bankruptcy of an individual the press dubbed 'the British Madoff'.
- Leading authorities on subrogation (HSBC v Liberty).

## Recognitions

• Best Lawyers in UK

### **Activities**

Paul is a member of the following:

- ILA
- TMA
- INSOL
- R3

### Credentials

#### **EDUCATION**

Paul received a J.D. from Chancery Lane Law School and a B.A. from London Guildhall University.

#### **ADMISSIONS**

· England & Wales

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Winston & Strawn Recognized in *The Legal 500 UK* 2024

OCTOBER 4, 2023

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Paul Fleming Recognized in *The Best Lawyers in the United Kingdom*<sup>TM</sup> 2024 JUNE 6, 2023

#### IN THE MEDIA

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**JANUARY 4, 2023** 

#### **PRESS RELEASE**

Winston & Strawn Adds Corporate Restructuring Partner Paul Fleming in London JANUARY 3, 2023

## Capabilities

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