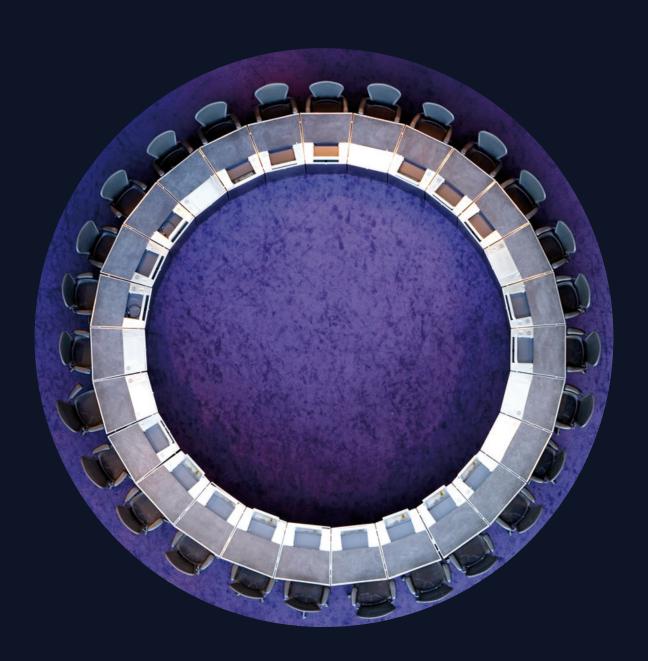
# Dispute Resolution Irish Legal Services



Ogier

# "The team have proved invaluable to us over the past decade."

Legal 500, 2023

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# Ogier in Ireland key moments

Lemo

### 2007

The firm was originally founded by a team of four as Leman Solicitors

### 2009

Leman Solicitors became the first paperless law firm in Ireland and gained ISO 9001 (quality management systems) and ISO 27001 accreditation (information security)

### 2011

The first Leman Challenge started. An annual employee CSR event, raising over €300,000 since, for charities including Pieta House, Irish Autism Action, Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind, Paralympics Ireland, The Samaritans, Focus Ireland and the Marie Keating Foundation

### 2019

Recognised as a Fairtrade workplace

### 2020

First shortlisted for the Green Small Organisation at the Green Awards, in recognition of our CSR and green credentials, as well as becoming a Certified Proud workplace

### 2021

Ranked in the Great Place to Work Ireland awards in 16th position as Best Small Workplace

### 2022

Leman Solicitors LLP became Ogier Leman after merging with international law firm Ogier in March 2022

# **Ogier**Leman

### 2023

Firm expands to more than 90 employees post-merger and growing in size and breadth of service lines and rebrands fully to Ogier

# Ogier

# Who we are

# Our Dispute Resolution team is one of the largest in Ireland.

- "The go-to firm for complex, high-stakes litigation." Legal 500, 2023
- "Ogier is very practical in dealing with complex and sophisticated matters." Legal 500, 2023
- "Very professional, approachable and knowledgeable with an excellent team made up of skilled partners and associates."

Legal 500 EMEA, 2023

"Our experience with Ogier has been fantastic, we really appreciate how informative, quick to respond and easy to understand the team have been."

Client feedback

We have significant experience to ensure that client objectives are met on time and on budget across a broad range of international and domestic commercial disputes. We are recognised for our expertise resolving large, complex and high value disputes and have successfully litigated in all courts including the High Court, the Commercial Court, the Court of Appeal, the Supreme Court and Court of Justice of the European Union.

We have particular expertise in fast tracking complex commercial disputes through the Irish Commercial Court and achieving desired objectives for our clients.

We are experts in all forms of alternative dispute resolution, including domestic and international arbitration, mediation, adjudication and expert determination. Our team includes accredited mediators and experts in adjudication.

Our team's experience spans cross border, multi-million and multibillion value disputes. With extensive cross-border and international experience, we work closely with counsel and other professional services providers in connection with foreign regimes.

We seek the best outcome for every client. Pre-empting formal proceedings and resolving disputes quickly, fairly and cost effectively is key to the efficient operation of a business. In the interests of providing excellent client service, preserving relationships is very important to us.

# What we do

We have significant experience to ensure that client objectives are met on time and on budget across a broad range of international and domestic commercial disputes.

### Commercial disputes

Including fraud, asset tracing, injunctions, shareholder disputes, IP disputes, tech disputes, defamation, enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitral awards, bribery and money laundering actions.

### Regulatory advice

Regulatory investigations and enforcement, proceeds of crime, market misconduct, money laundering, risk management, corporate governance issues, conflicts of interest, data protection, regulatory authorisation, approval and applications.

# Corporate, shareholder and valuation disputes

Corporate governance, unfair prejudice, claims against directors, shareholder disputes and corporate fraud.

### Financial services disputes

Including contentious funds, banking and insurance claims, banking disputes, misselling, misrepresentation, misstatement; fiduciary claims and financial crimes.

### Insolvency and restructuring

Winding up and cross-border insolvency applications, restructuring applications, investor/shareholder rights, amalgamation and reconstruction, asset recovery, schemes of arrangement, examinership, personal insolvency and SCARP.

# Insurance and cyber related disputes

Acting for insurers and insureds on coverage and policy issues, incident response and remediation in cyber issues and on behalf of directors and officers and professionals in insurance matters.

# Property, construction, planning and environmental disputes

Contractual disputes, construction disputes, property disputes, landlord and tenant disputes, injunctions and judicial review.

### Hospitality and sport

Liquor licensing advice and applications, governance advice in sport, anti-doping, representation and advocacy in arbitration, mediation and the Court of Arbitration for Sport, and in the Irish courts.

### Other services include

- Insurance and reinsurance
- Regulation and competition, including investigations
- Cyber
- Intellectual property
- Crypto
- Alternative dispute resolution

# Ronan McGoldrick

Partner



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### Admitted in:

- 2007 - Ireland

### **Background**

Ronan is a commercial litigator with more than 17 years' experience of high value complex disputes, his specialist areas include: financial services, funds, banking and securities, restructuring and corporate recovery, regulation and compliance, debt and security enforcement, shareholder and corporate, pensions, directors' and officers' liability, and intellectual property and reputation management.

Ronan is an expert at project managing complex and high value claims in the Commercial Division of the High Court, Court of Appeal and before the ICC International Court of Arbitration. He has worked on some of Ireland's largest and most complicated financial services

disputes. Precise and uncompromising in his high standards, he understands what is required to get the best result for his clients.

### Recent work

- Advising a German investment bank in its US\$400 million damages claim against entities in the New York Supreme Court
- Acting for Ireland's largest construction company in its €17 million claim against a property fund arising from the insolvency of Anglo Irish Bank
- Advising the trustee of a Revenue approved, tax exempt, unit trust in its enforcement of a €6 million debt
- Advising a property fund in its £58 million mis-selling claim against Ulster Bank and RBS
- Advising a global pharmaceutical group in capital reduction and company restoration applications
- Advising an Irish pharmaceutical group in its examinership initiated by its €15.4 million secured lender
- Advising the investor to Sammon Group in its examinership arising from the collapse of the Carillion Group
- Advising a creditor in the Norwegian Airlines examinership
- Advising a corporate client on

- its breach of warranties claim arising from a €28 million purchase of a nursing home business
- Advising a director and nominee of shareholders of companies with property assets valued at €160 million in their successful minority oppression action
- Acting for Belgian Plc in its defence of a US\$34 million claim brought by its Irish distributor before the ICC International Court of Arbitration and obtaining a seven-figure sum for costs

"Ronan McGoldrick, very attentive and responsive to queries."

Legal 500 EMEA, 2024

"Ronan McGoldrick offers excellent service."

Chambers Global, 2024

"Ronan McGoldrick is excellent to deal with and very practical and commercial."

Chambers Global, 2023

"He is calm under pressure and delivers on assurances."

Chambers Europe, 2023

"Is a force to be reckoned with." Chambers Global, 2022

# Flaine White

### Partner



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### Admitted in:

- 2003 Ireland
- 2005 England and Wales (not practising)

### **Background**

Elaine has extensive commercial litigation experience covering a wide range of areas such as shareholder disputes, contractual disputes and professional indemnity actions. She delivers accurate, concise and well thought out advice and is always ready and keen to tackle an intricate and complicated problem.

Elaine trained and qualified in a top tier Dublin law firm and is also qualified in England and Wales, having practiced with an international firm in London for seven years. She has extensive general commercial litigation experience at all levels of the Court system as well as significant

experience in arbitration and mediation both in person and online. In addition to her domestic clients, she regularly advises international clients in relation to complex disputes having Ireland as a jurisdiction. Elaine also advises a number of entertainment groups in relation to licensing and hospitality generally.

### Recent work

- Representing a global tech firm specialising in blockchain finance products in the Commercial Court, seeking damages from an ex[1]shareholder for alleged IP theft and contract breaches, causing multimillion euro company value loss
- Representing a leading Irish property developer in three separate concurrent construction adjudication processes relating to a high end residential development and subsequent High Court enforcement proceedings in respect of the award
- Representing a leading Irish property developer in an ex parte 'stop the clock' application to defeat imminent statute of limitation issues and subsequent novel Judicial Review proceedings challenging a Ministerial Direction of the Minister for State and Local Government and Planning
- Representing a large voluntary organisation in

- bringing Judicial Review proceedings challenging a statutory instrument introduced by the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Advising a UAE company in a cross-border dispute with a well-known technology company of Irish domicile
- Acting for a group of merchant companies in a payments processing dispute with a global merchant account provider
- Representing an Irish umbrella UCITS fund company in a fund administration dispute with an international corporate services company
- Representing one of the largest hospitality groups in Ireland in injunctive proceedings and subsequent Commercial Court action against adjacent developers threatening to interfere with development of multi-millioneuro property

# Stephen O'Connor

Partner



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- 2014 - Ireland

### **Background**

Stephen has experience in commercial litigation in the High Court, the Commercial Division of the High Court, the Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court or otherwise dealt with through mediation or arbitration.

Stephen advises domestic and international clients in relation to complex disputes. He specialises in managing financial services litigation, advising corporate clients and shareholders in contractual, technology and financial services disputes involving banking, pensions, insurance, funds and debt recovery and enforcement. He also specialises in insolvency and restructuring, receivership, fraud and asset trading, breaches of fiduciary duty, crypto, cyber and

professional negligence.

### Recent work

- Advising a German investment bank in its US\$400m damages claim against entities in the New York Supreme Court
- Advising a German investment bank in its US\$3bn damages claim against entities in the New York Supreme Court
- Acting for Ireland's largest construction company in its €17m claim against a property fund arising from the insolvency of Anglo Irish Bank
- Advising a global pharmaceutical group in capital reduction and company restoration applications
- Advising a director and nominee of shareholders of companies with property assets valued at €160m in their successful minority oppression action
- Acting for Belgian Plc in its defence of a US\$34m claim brought by its Irish distributor before the ICC International Court of Arbitration and obtaining a seven-figure sum for costs
- Advising an Irish pharmaceutical group in its examinership initiated by its €15.4m secured lender
- Advising a corporate client on its breach of warranties claim

- arising from a €28m purchase of a nursing home business
- Acting for a Dutch/Spanish Plc in its successful claim for €6m against a US based tech company in respect of the failed implementation of an enterprise resource planning solution
- Advising an insurance intermediary on terminating a representative agreement, passporting and authorisation in Ireland, cross-border services, supervisory matters, compliance, policy wording, and the Temporary Run-Off Regime
- Advising an insurance intermediary on regulatory compliance, covering Insurance Distribution Regulations, CPC and its addendum, exemptions for Ancillary Insurance Intermediaries, EU passporting, and drafting compliant policy wording and product offerings to support commercial objectives

"He brings a fresh perspective to the partnership. He is very approachable and easy to work with."

Legal 500 EMEA, 2023

"He is very practical in the advice he gives and he is a very good communicator."

Legal 500, 2022

# Maria Edgeworth

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### **Background**

Maria first joined the firm in 2011. Alongside general commercial litigation, Maria has particular expertise in property, planning and construction disputes. Maria is also a qualified trademark agent in Ireland, providing strategic advice on brand protection and contentious IP disputes. She also has experience in restructuring and insolvency matters.

Maria's involvement in high value complex disputes and the recognition by clients of her consistent performance across various matters, resulted in her being listed as a Key Lawyer in the Legal 500 guide. She was also awarded the Rising Star for

Litigation at the Women in Business Law Awards in London. Maria has

completed a Certificate in Construction Adjudication through The Law Society of Ireland and has an LLM in Commercial Law from the University of Edinburgh. Maria is also a CEDR Accredited Mediator and has acted as mediator in disputes.

#### Recent work

- Representing client in successful Supreme Court appeal challenging the legality of the Personal Insolvency regime in Ireland
- Representing client in complex intellectual property licensing dispute involving ground-breaking nanobubble technology in the Commercial Division of the High Court
- Representing tax advisory business in High Court claim issued pursuant to the Consumer Protection Act 2007 querying the compliance requirements of Irish consumer legislation
- Representing client in Commercial Planning and Environmental division of the Commercial Court, in judicial review proceedings challenging local authority's decision to rezone lands
- Representing UAE IT services company in cross-border debt recovery dispute with Irish based software company
- Representing client in boundary dispute impacting construction of multi-millioneuro hospitality development.

- Representing developer client in injunction application seeking vacant possession of protected structure and conservation project on health and safety grounds
- Representing clients in summary actions in the High Court, including debt recovery and security enforcement claims
- Advising asset managers on commercial property disputes in respect of multi-unit developments, shopping centres and sports facilities
- Advising telecommunications provider on dispute regarding its entitlement to occupy and operate telecommunications infrastructure
- Advising on licensing of large hospitality schemes including hotels, theatres, cinemas, breweries and distilleries
- Advising on crossjurisdictional trade mark dispute and prosecution of claim in the European Union Intellectual Property Office

"Rising Star, Litigation 2023" Women in Business Awards 2023

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