

## Guernsey dispute resolution specialist Alex Horsbrugh-Porter appointed to partner

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Ogier has announced the appointment of Alex Horsbrugh-Porter to partner in its Guernsey Dispute Resolution team.

With a specialism in restructuring and insolvency – notably being appointed recently as just one of four specialists on Guernsey's Insolvency Rules Committee in recognition of his considerable expertise in this area of Guernsey law – Alex's achievements include working on one of the first provisional liquidations in Guernsey, and a number of contentious shareholder disputes and schemes of arrangement.

Head of Dispute Resolution in Guernsey, Advocate Mathew Newman, said: "This is a pivotal time for Guernsey in the global restructuring and corporate recovery field. Alex is a significant asset to the team, both in Guernsey and to Ogier's cross-jurisdiction Restructuring and Corporate Recovery team as a Guernsey Advocate who also has several years' experience in the Cayman Islands."

Alex also works on trust and regulatory disputes, with client endorsements including 'his knowledge of the law and commercial know-how was second to none' and 'excellent Advocate with great interpersonal skills, very helpful in managing strong personalities in challenging matters'.

Ogier's five-partner Guernsey Dispute Resolution team, led by Mathew Newman who was recently named Litigator of the year by Citywealth, has grown significantly in the past two years to meet the needs of clients, including the recent promotion of Advocate Sandie Lyne to partner. The team have worked on some of Guernsey's largest cases including for the Carlyle Group, in which Guernsey's Court of Appeal upheld the judgment that none of the US investment firm The Carlyle Group, its investment manager, Carlyle Investment Management LLC, or the directors of Carlyle Capital Corporation, were responsible for Carlyle Capital Corporation, a Guernsey investment fund, going into insolvency in the 2008 financial crash, and the case involving providence Investment Funds PCC Limited, a high profile engagement, with the Group having been operated as a Ponzi scheme both in the UK/Channel Islands, the US and Asia, and a negligence claim currently ongoing in the Guernsey court against the Group's auditors.

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