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Chloe specialises in commercial chancery work, with a focus on insolvency and company law. She also has experience in civil fraud, partnership disputes, and complex contractual disputes (often with an international element), and has recent experience of advising clients in relation to the impact of UK and EU sanctions regimes on their business interests.

She regularly appears in the High Court (both led and as sole counsel) and before Insolvency and Companies Court (ICC) Judges. She was instructed in the recent groundbreaking Supreme Court appeal in *Sevilleja v Marex Financial Ltd* [2020] UKSC 31 as part of a team of five counsel. Chloe has experience and accepts instructions in respect of urgent applications for freezing and other injunctive relief.

#### COMPANY & INSOLVENCY

Chloe has extensive experience of corporate and personal insolvency matters and is frequently instructed to act on behalf of office holders, creditors and individual debtors in insolvency litigation. Her experience includes complex misfeasance and breach of fiduciary duty claims, claims involving TUVs, preferences and transactions defrauding creditors, orders for sale, unlawful distributions, and contested winding up and bankruptcy petitions.

Chloe also has wide-ranging experience of company law matters, including unfair prejudice petitions, derivative claims and contractual shareholder disputes. She was instructed in the groundbreaking Supreme Court company law appeal in *Sevilleja v Marex Financial Ltd* [2020] UKSC 31 in which the doctrine of reflective loss was fundamentally restated, acting (as second junior counsel) on behalf of the APPG on Fair Business Banking as intervener.

Notable and recent insolvency and company cases include:

- *Sevilleja v Marex Financial Limited* [2020] UKSC 31 – Supreme Court appeal in which the doctrine of reflective loss was fundamentally re-stated.
- *Dominik Thiel-Czerwinke and Jamie Taylor (as Joint Liquidators of Courtside Recycling Limited (in liquidation)) v Nicholas Crabb* [2024] EWHC 337 (Ch) – acted as sole counsel for the joint liquidators in a fraudulent trading and fraudulent breach of duty claim worth £2.5m.
- *Kendall v Ball* [2024] EWHC 746 (Ch) – acted as sole counsel for the respondent (former directors) against a Silk in a contested application brought by administrators pursuant to s. 234 of the Insolvency Act 1986

- concerning complex issues relating to resulting and constructive trusts.
- *Re A1 Comms Limited* – acting as sole counsel for the joint administrators of one of the UK’s foremost mobile phone providers. Presently instructed in a complex application for directions pursuant to para 63, Sch. B1 which affects the treatment of several million pounds of funds in the administration. The application raises novel issues concerning the law of assignment and is due to be heard in July 2024.
- *Re Kent Conversions Ltd* [2023] EWHC 1729 (Ch) – acted as sole counsel for the petitioner in an unfair prejudice petition arising out of the breakdown of a personal relationship concerning a family-owned company.
- *Re BCCI Limited & Kingdom Halal (UK) Ltd* – acted as sole counsel for the liquidator of two companies in a claim alleging fraudulent trading in respect of a VAT fraud worth £2m. The claim settled shortly before trial.
- *Rasul v (1) Ginwalla (2) Capital Investment Centre Limited* [2021] EW Misc 7 (CC) – acting for a director opposing a derivative claim and subsequent unfair prejudice proceedings in relation to the purchase of a property allegedly connected with the company.
- Acting as sole counsel on behalf of a Russian bankrupt in CBIR 2006 proceedings in this jurisdiction (in which the bankrupt has substantial assets), with creditors in the region of \$100m.
- Acting as sole counsel on behalf of a bankrupt’s spouse defending proceedings brought pursuant to s. 423 (transactions defrauding creditors) worth £7m.

Acting (led by Simon Davenport KC) for the petitioning creditor in bankruptcy and winding up proceedings worth over £60m

## COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

Chloe’s practice covers a wide range of commercial disputes, including civil fraud claims, contractual disputes of all types, and partnership disputes. Many of her cases have an international element, and she frequently advises on complex jurisdictional and conflicts of law issues. She also has recent experience of advising individuals and corporate entities as to the impact of EU and UK sanctions on their business interests.

Chloe also gained experience in international banking and financial disputes before coming to the Bar, having spent just under a year at a magic circle law firm where she worked in the dispute resolution department on a high profile US-led regulatory investigation into a major bank.

Notable and recent commercial cases include:

- *Shah v Shah* [2017] EWHC 2693 (Ch); *Shah v Shah* [2018] EWHC 2075 (Ch); *Shah v Shah* [2019] EWHC 535 (Ch); *Shah v Shah* [2020] EWHC 1840 (Ch): Instructed as a junior (led by Thomas Roe KC) in respect of a lengthy and complex account arising out of the dissolution of a partnership.
- *Mountain Ash Portfolio Ltd v Vasilyev* [2021] EWHC 1853 (Comm); [2022] EWHC 1867 (Comm) Instructed (led by Tom Poole KC) on behalf of a corporate trustee in a claim against a very high net worth Russian individual pursuant to a shareholders’ guarantee worth c.\$120m.
- Advising (as part of a team of counsel) a global commodities company as to the impact of the current EU and UK Russian sanctions regimes on a high value structured commodities financing contract with a sanctioned entity.
- Advising as sole counsel a Russian high net worth individual as to the impact of the recent UK Russian sanctions regime on his various business interests.
- Instructed (led by Simon Davenport KC) in respect of obtaining urgent worldwide freezing relief in the context of an underlying contract and fraud claim worth \$40m.

## **PUBLICATIONS**

- [Light touch administration as a rescue tool during the pandemic](#), New Law Journal, May 2020

## **MEMBERSHIPS**

- Chancery Bar Association
- COMBAR
- R3

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

- MA in Classics (Double First Class) Trinity Hall, Cambridge
- MSt in Ancient Philosophy, New College, Oxford
- GDL, BPP Law School, Distinction
- BPTC, BPP Law School, Outstanding

## **AWARDS**

- Inner Temple Exhibition (2013)
- Browne Scholarship, University of Cambridge (University Classical Scholarship) (2009)
- Bateman Scholar, Trinity Hall, Cambridge (2010)
- Trinity Hall Scholarships (2008, 2009)
- Henry Arthur Thomas Award, Classics Faculty, University of Cambridge (2008, 2009)

## **LANGUAGES**

- French (professional working proficiency)
- Spanish (conversational)
- German (basic)

## **Policies**

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