# Emma Riach

## **Description**

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Emma's Caribbean practice follows on from the first decade of her career between Paris, London and the UK's M4 technology corridor. Emma qualifed first as a barrister and completed pupillages at leading chambers at Middle Temple & Lincoln's Inn in London, subsequently she cross qualified as a solicitor . Emma worked initially for one the Big 6 accounting firms in Paris for 4 years and then an intellectual property boutique law firm in Surrey, UK. At both firms she mainly advised intellectual property & technology Fortune 500 companies regarding contentious and non–contentious matters between the UK, EU and North America.

Based in the Caribbean (largely the Turks and Caicos Islands) for over two decades, from the mid-2000's Emma expanded her existing areas of expertise to include real estate (acting for developers and individual purchasers or vendors), general private client, HNWI and local Turks and Caicos businesses.

Emma has also worked and lived in Bermuda, Anguilla and Monaco, adding to her understanding and experience across the Caribbean and Transatlantic offshore real estate and residency, lifestyle investment & planning for clients.

She has been ranked for many years in the category of General Business Law, by Chambers Directory for the Turks and Caicos Islands.

#### **Select Engagements**

- Real estate transactions or all types for purchasers & vendors on all the inhabited (and some uninhabited) Islands of Turks and Caicos
- Acting for HNWI clients and collaborating with their in-house and external advisers in other offshore jurisdications and their home or operating countries
- Setting up local businesses in Providenciales, advising on operational issues and licences, and acting on the sales of businesses
- Advising & drafting commercial registerable headleases & subleases, with an owners association
- Acting for private lenders in TCI
- Acting on buyouts of former developer assets at various condominiums in Providenciales, including residential & commercial real property and personal assets

#### **Credentials**

- England & Wales (1994)
- Turks & Caicos Islands
- Anguilla
- France (retained full EU rights to work and advise on common law)

## **Education**

- University of London (King's College), LLB
- Pantheon-Sorbonne University (Paris), Post-Graduate Course in French Law
- University of Bristol, Post-Graduate Diploma in IP law & Practice

## **Professional & Community Involvement**

- Commonwealth Lawyers Association
- Women in Law, Turks & Caicos

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