

James Corbett KC

Description

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(not generally admitted in the Turks & Caicos Islands, but has appeared on special admission)

For details of availability in respect of work for the firm. contact Tim Prudhoe on tim@spcaribbean.com

The English Bar was the first admission for James. He was a member of the internationally-renowned chambers at Serle Court, Lincoln's Inn in London until 2010, at which time he became a partner at Kobre & Kim. He was based in the firm's offices in London and the Cayman Islands. He was responsible for the opening of the Cayman Islands office at the same time as Tim Prudhoe opened the British Virgin Islands office of Kobre & Kim. James was managing partner of Kobre & Kim Cayman from 2012-2014. Since 2018 he has practised in the island of Jersey.

Since becoming Queen's (now King's) Counsel, James has practised internationally – and in particular in the Caribbean – in the field of cross-border disputes. He has been admitted to practice in 11 (shortly to be 12) jurisdictions. He has advised or appeared in commercial claims of every description, including development contracts, intellectual property, company law and shareholder disputes and insolvency. He is also a recognised authority in matters relating to or involving trusts.

Select engagements

- Advocate in numerous court applications involving a US-originated employee benefit trust and the collapse of a Japanese-based hedge fund (Anguilla)

- Trial and appeal advocate in multi-million dollar dispute involving a world-famous brand of ultra-premium liquor (Anguilla)Advising on dispute over sale of botanical gardens (Nevis)
- Trial advocate in claim for unfair prejudice in respect of a Chinese enterprise listed on NASDAQ (BVI)
- Trial advocate in ultra-high value dispute involving an international hotel Development (Bahamas)
- Trial advocate in dispute over winding up of exempted limited partnership (Cayman Islands)

Credentials

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Bar Admissions:

- Angilla
- Australia (New South Wales)
- Bahamas (special admission)
- British Virgin Islands
- Cayman Islands
- England & Wales
- Gibraltar (special admission)
- Ireland
- Northern Ireland
- St Kitts & Nevis
- Turks & Caicos Islands (special admission)

Arbitration:

- Chartered Arbitrator and Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London
- Fellow of the Hong Kong Institute of Arbitrators
- Fellow of the Singapore institute of Arbitrators

Mediation:

James is an accredited mediator trained by CEDR, London

Judicial:

James was a Recorder of the Crown Court and Deputy High Court Judge in England and Wales until 2010. He is currently a panel Deemster (Deputy Judge) of the High Court of the Isle of Man.

Education:

- University of Exeter, LLB
- University of Exeter Centre for European Legal Studies, LLM
- Inns of Court School of Law, London, Bar training course
- Institute of Law, Jersey

Professional & Community Involvement:

Master of the Bench of the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple, London

Chancery Bar Association

Commercial Bar Association

Board Member, ArtHouse Jersey

Member of the Finance Committee, Parish of St Helier, Jersey

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