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Competition Litigation – Tier 1

Exhibiting ‘unrivalled strength in depth’, the ‘incredible team’ at specialist claimant firm Hausfeld & Co LLP handles the full gamut of European damages claims, with particular emphasis on collective actions before the CAT.

Practice head **Scott Campbell** has longstanding expertise in acting in cartel damage cases, often representing corporates before the CAT; while **Anthony Maton** has deep knowledge surrounding the private enforcement of damages actions. **Nicola Boyle** has ‘brilliant intellect’, and primarily focuses on cases concerning collective redress. The ‘extremely competent and imaginative’ **Lesley Hannah** maintains a tech-focused practice, regularly filing abuse of dominance claims against tech giants before the CAT; and **Lucy Rigby** frequently represents both consumers and businesses in opt-out claims and large group actions. **Tom Bolster** has ‘great technical strength’, and is particularly adept at acting for clients in the automotive sector in cartel-related disputes. Anna Morfey departed the practice in November 2022 to join Ashurst.

About the team

‘Hausfeld are, and are rightly viewed as, the standout practitioners in this field. They have unrivalled strength-in-depth and are more than a match for any other firm. They have a very competent practice, with great knowledge and understanding of matters. They are very proactive, focused and always available.’

‘Incredible team – they bring a different approach to matters built on a solid knowledge of competition law. Highly recommended in matters related to damage claims. Close relationship with clients, the team carefully analyse the problem and are clearly focused.’

‘The team have got an excellent reputation in the market and rightly so. They are acting on many of the leading CAT collective actions. They have quality in strength and depth across their team; and have built an enviable practice.’

‘The firm differs from others in its innovation and technical capacity to deal with complex issues that require teamwork with other jurisdictions. The team is highly experienced, engaged and easy to work with. You always feel like you are in the best capable hands and are guided along all the way. They redefine client care in an impressive way.’

Recommended lawyers

Leading individual **Anthony Maton**

Leading individual **Scott Campbell**

Leading individual **Nicola Boyle** 'is one of the best lawyers I have ever worked with, she combines a brilliant intellect with excellent client service; and *Next Generation Partner* **Tom Bolster** has great technical strength.'

'*Next Generation Partner* **Lesley Hannah** and **Lianne Craig** are extremely competent with great knowledge. Lesley is extremely competent and imaginative, and Lianne has vast knowledge of competition law, providing value-added solutions.'

'*Next Generation Partner* **Lucy Rigby** 'is quickly developing into one of the go-to partners for the most heavyweight competition claims. She is the complete lawyer.'

'**Luke Streatfield** is all over the detail. His focus on CAT collective claims and, specifically, big tech claims, makes him a leader in this area, he has carved himself out as an expert in this field. He has real skill in translating and communicating complex issues and to managing with aplomb the significant number of competing threads that arise in these claims. Luke has excellent judgment and delivers fantastic results.'

Other key lawyers

Luke Streatfield, Lianne Craig, Tim Brown, Aqeel Kadri, Wessen Jazrawi

Group Litigation: Claimant – Tier 1

Hausfeld & Co LLP is a market leader in the group litigation space, acting on competition claims across a wide range of sectors.

Prospective shareholder and mis-selling claims, as well as product liability and human rights claims are all additional strengths of the practice. **Nicola Boyle** is the head of the team, with vast experience in collective redress cases; she has been acting on the high-profile collective claim against Qualcomm. A number of other impressive individuals form the team, including **Lesley Hannah**, who has technology-related expertise, **Lucy Rigby**, specialising in large-scale group actions, and managing partner **Lianne Craig**, who has 'exceptional people skills'.

About the team

'The number one claimant group litigation practice on this side of the Atlantic. First to the market and have never looked back. Real commitment to this area, and outstandingly strong lawyers at partnership level and below.'

'The team has sector expertise across many jurisdictions'

Recommended lawyers

Leading individuals **Lesley Hannah**

Next Generation Partner **Lucy Rigby**

Lianne Craig 'has exceptional people skills and is able to find creative solutions to running cases'.

'**Anthony Maton** is without a doubt the leader in London and the rest of Europe. He has been there from the beginning and has unrivalled expertise. His partners *Leading Individual* **Lesley Hannah, Nicola Boyle** and **Luke Streatfield** are all highly knowledgeable as well as being battle hardened in the leading cases.'

Other key lawyers

Lianne Craig, Nicola Boyle, Anthony Maton, Luke Streatfield, Sarah Moore, Sofie Edwards

Banking Litigation: Investment & Retail – Tier 3

Hausfeld & Co LLP ‘attracts really interesting cases and turns out magic circle quality work’, acting on high-profile commercial and financial service disputes, with extensive experience particularly in the competition sphere.

John McElroy acts as the head of commercial disputes, with significant experience in fraud and energy linked banking disputes. Noted practitioners within the team include **Anthony Maton**, the ‘brilliant’ **Lianne Craig**, and the ‘seriously impressive’ **Lucy Pert**.

About the team

‘Attracts really interesting cases and turns out magic circle quality work. The quality of the individual lawyers is very high and as a firm they are fearless in taking on institutional, well-resourced defendants.’

‘Efficient work as a team, with clear objectives, the structure in the development of the work is adequate and agile. Strategic vision to offer creative solutions based on high levels of legal knowledge.’

Recommended lawyers

Leading individual ‘**Lianne Craig** is a brilliant lawyer, with an innate facility in negotiation which I have never seen in other competitors in the UK legal sector.’

Next generation partner ‘**John McElroy**

Next generation partner ‘**Lucy Pert** is seriously impressive – she exudes intelligence and competence.’

Simon Bishop is the complete package. He is very knowledgeable, an excellent technical lawyer and a great strategist. He is also a really nice person to work with.’

‘**Ned Beale** is great to work with – extremely clever, thoughtful and commercial in his approach.’

Anthony Maton, Lucy Pert, Lianne Craig are the lawyers I deal most with. They are all first-class, and wonderful leaders.’

Other key lawyers

Anthony Maton, Ned Beale, Simon Bishop, Tom Bolster

Civil Liberties & Human Rights – Tier 3

Fielding a team ‘which delivers real oomph power when it gets to the crunch’, Hausfeld & Co LLP is a claimant-focused firm which handles cases concerning a plethora of human rights issues, such as the right to food, education and housing; the group has also recently seen an uptick in work related to climate change.

Of counsel **Ingrid Gubbay** leads the offering and is a recognised expert in bringing public and private litigation on behalf of communities affected by large-scale corporate violations. Key contact **Wessen Jazrawi** recently brought an action on behalf of individuals directly impacted by climate change against the UK government, while **Sarah Moore’s** practice also confronts human rights issues that intersect with environmental law.

About the team

‘Great team.’

‘Hausfeld demonstrate strength in depth which is a match for any other firm in this sector and which delivers real oomph power when it gets to the crunch. I never doubt their ability to deliver.’

‘Depth of experience and strength of judgment are key features in the team I work with, from partner level down to the most junior members.’

Recommended lawyers

Leading Individual **Ingrid Gubbay**

Other key lawyers

Wessen Jazrawi, Sarah Moore, David Lawne, Luke Grimes

Real Estate: Environment – Tier 3

The offering at Hausfeld & Co LLP is described as being formed of ‘senior practitioners who have a deep understanding of environmental law’ for whom climate change and environment litigation is a key area of focus. It frequently advises for the claimant in policy and regulation matters against significant and high-profile bodies; a significant portion of such work is carried out pro bono.

Its workload is international in scope, and developing in areas involving greenwashing and misrepresentation, finance disputes, and breaches of policy in regard to environmental harm.

The ‘very dedicated’ York-based **Sarah Moore**, ‘leader in the field’ **Ingrid Gubbay** and **Simon Bishop**, noted as being ‘a pleasure to work with’, co-lead the team.

About the firm

‘The team is very good. They have shown a major commitment to strategic environmental litigation by acting pro bono for various NGOs in the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court in long-running litigations.’

‘Hausfeld is an international law practice. It is very well-run and has significant capacity to take on large-scale and high-profile casework in the environmental field, with senior practitioners who have a deep understanding of environmental law and the most recent developments in litigation, legislation and policy.’

‘Creative thinking and expertise are key attributes of the team.’

Recommended lawyers

‘**Sarah Moore** and **Hana Tawfik** are both excellent in all respects – creative, committed, efficient, and very nice people to work with!’

‘**Simon Bishop** is a pleasure to work with – willing to think outside the box to find appropriate solutions.’

‘**Ingrid Gubbay** and **Wessen Jazrawi** both impress with their legal knowledge, tactical awareness and commitment to the case and clients. Ingrid is a leader in the field of environmental law with a rounded knowledge of domestic and international caselaw.’

‘**Sarah Moore** is very dedicated and clever, with commitment to the cause and the ability to advise on long-term outcomes as well as on the immediate case in hand. We hope to work with her more in future.’

‘**Sarah Moore** and **Hana Tawfik** are both excellent, generous with their time and able to get on top of a lot of technical information without losing sight of the bigger picture.’

Other Key Lawyers

Ingrid Gubbay, Sarah Moore, Simon Bishop, Wessen Jazrawi, Lianne Craig, David Lawne, Hana Tawfik

Commercial Litigation: Premium - Tier 5

Litigation boutique Hausfeld & Co LLP fields a ‘very focused, efficient, and on the ball’ team, acting for a vast range of longstanding premium clients. ‘Polished operator’ **John McElroy** is the head of the ‘always collaborative’ team, recently acting on Covid-19 related matters.

Noted practitioners include the ‘excellent’ **Lianne Craig**, who is the managing partner of the firm, ‘super responsive’ **Ned Beale**, and **Anna Gilbert**, who has ‘one of the sharpest legal minds’.

About the firm

'The team at Hausfeld's Dispute Resolution-Commercial Litigation practice are focused on goal achievement while always maintaining the highest degrees of sensitivity, empathy and humanity to its legal solutions and client management. Beyond their impeccable ethics and apex legal knowledge, they are reliably creative and fearless when it comes to legal strategy and tactics. They are collaborative when appropriate and always transparent.'

Recommended lawyers

Leading individual **Lianne Craig**

Leading individual 'John McElroy is a polished operator. He keeps a keen eye on client objectives and effectively delivers.'

Rising Star **Duran Ross** 'has been our point of contact, and he is very responsive and always available and has a good grasp of all aspects.'

'**Ned Beale** is a great person to work with. He is super responsive and always eager to assist, suggesting several options of the way out and highlighting pros and cons of each.'; 'very focused, efficient and on the ball. It's very impressive indeed and I have found my experience of working with them to be second to none.' and 'a very talented individual who is a creative lawyer and also has excellent judgment. Great at the big picture, but equally on top of hunting down the detail. He is great at adjusting gears and approaches depending on the situation and context. He has the trust of clients and manages a great team by example.'

'**Anna Gilbert** brings her A game every time, regardless of the legal matter at hand. She has one of the sharpest legal minds and results-focused determination I've come across in a litigator.'

'**Lianne Craig** and **Ned Beale** are both excellent. **Anna Gilbert** is also hard working and pragmatic.'

Other key lawyers

Ned Beale, Anna Gilbert

International Arbitration – Tier 6

Hausfeld & Co LLP's 'driven, focused, accomplished and experienced team' comprises sector specialists in finance, aviation, and claimant-side insurance.

In November 2022, the ICC appointed **Ned Beale** to the International Chamber of Commerce's UK Arbitration and ADR Committee; London commercial disputes head **John McElroy** focuses on complex financial services and contractual disputes; and **Lucy Pert** routinely manages international, cross-border commercial arbitrations.

Elected the firm's first female managing partner in London in early 2022, **Lianne Craig** has strong connections to the Spanish market.

About the firm

'The team leaves no stone unturned when it comes to proposing unconventional ideas and advanced approaches to solutions. It always looks for solutions!'

'A driven, focused, accomplished and experienced team in this sector.'

'A very safe pair of collective hands. No churn – just clear, commercial advice.'

'The Hausfeld arbitration team is very focused, efficient and on the ball. It's very impressive indeed.'

Recommended lawyers

'**Ned Beale** is not only solutions oriented, but also extremely pleasant to deal with and always accessible.'; 'a hardworking and thoughtful lawyer who focuses on clients' interests first.' and 'a very talented individual and creative lawyer with excellent judgement. Great at the big picture, but equally on top of hunting down the detail.'

John McElroy is a plugged-in, commercial, astute and engaged partner; and **Lucy Pert's** attention to detail, client care and work ethic cannot be faulted.'

Other key lawyers

John McElroy, Lianne Craig, Lucy Pert, Ned Beale, Rebecca Warder, Faye Moore

Product Liability: Claimant – Firm to watch

The environment and product liability team at Hausfeld & Co LLP, headed by Sarah Moore, provides solutions for consumers and vulnerable groups.

Recommended lawyers

Next generation partner: **Sarah Moore**