



Competition Law: Private Enforcement: Claimant – Band 1

What the team is known for

Hausfeld is renowned for its claimant side work, with a long history of bringing competition damages claims and more recently filing a number of collective actions in the CAT. The firm is currently working on a number of opt-out class actions against major tech companies.

Hausfeld stands out for its ability to represent claimants in multiple high-profile and high-value collective actions. The law firm acts for class representatives before the CAT in claims for damages arising from alleged abuses of dominance and cartels in the technology, automotive and financial sectors. Additionally, it works alongside the firm's offices in Germany and the Netherlands to act on multi-jurisdictional claims.

Strengths

"The lawyers have a highly developed hands-on mentality and are extremely likeable and make it comfortable for the client to work with them."

"Hausfeld stands out as a firm that has the greatest level of experience in this area."

"What truly sets Hausfeld apart is the client-focused approach: the lawyers make a genuine effort to involve the client in a timely manner when important decisions or developments arise."

"Hausfeld's team stands out for its strong collaboration and clear communication. The lawyers work seamlessly, making complex matters easier to navigate and ensuring that everyone stays well-informed."

"The team always delivers top-notch advice and documents and is flexible and helpful with requests."

"Hausfeld stands out as a firm that has the greatest level of experience in this area."

"Hausfeld have been superb at handling a hugely complex case, both technically and procedurally."

Ranked individuals

Eminent Practitioner **Anthony** "is an absolute star, who does not unduly waste time. He is a quick and decisive decision maker and leader"; "is at the heart of the collective actions sector, he's been leading there for a number of years."

Nicola Boyle "is academic, commercial and great at running the team"; "is a great strategic thinker"; "is wise and has good judgement"; "is characterised by a lot of energy and a kind of pragmatic attitude. She doesn't panic in a crisis, but can quickly find solutions and keep the momentum going."

Scott Campbell "is very astute and capable."

Lesley Hannah is "really delightful to work with and extremely engaged"; "has good client handling skills, but also has that technical grasp of the field which is really excellent"; "is superb. I think very highly of her."

Belinda Hollway "has worked at the highest levels of competition litigation and brings an international dimension to her practice which is invaluable"; "has an incredibly safe pair of hands, and is a very astute tactician"; "is a collegial, efficient, and impressive leader of her team"; "is an absolute force of nature, she is so to the point in terms of strategy and planning for the case, as well as being kind and understanding"; "has very sound judgement both on substantive points and on strategy. She is always client focused and is a delight to work with."

Luke Streatfeild "is calm and analytical. He is very technically minded and asks very intelligent and on-point questions. He interrogates the evidence that we bring in a really productive way"; "He is incredibly dynamic and innovative."

Group Litigation: Claimant – Band 1

What the team is known for

Hausfeld is noted for its focus on claimant representation, particularly in cases concerning competition law and the banking sector. Its team of highly experienced litigators is known for representing large groups of claimants in collective actions, with particular strength in handling substantial opt-out claims.

Strengths

"Hausfeld are an outstanding team. They're top of my list for anything novel in group litigation."

"They are cooperation partners in the truest sense and really support you start to finish."

"They're very experienced at working with economists. They're the number one firm at understanding the underlying economics in a case."

Ranked individuals

Eminent Practitioner **Anthony Maton** "is very experienced, a statesman in this area and extremely highly regarded"; "is superb, unflappable and very easy to talk to for someone at his level. He helps deal with knotty decisions."

Nicola Boyle "has great experience in competition and commercial finance litigation. She is very down to earth and one of the most practical lawyers I've ever met"; "Nicola understands the commercial implications of cases end-to-end and shows very high customer-centricity in her work"; "Nicola is amazing. She is very clever and one of the best solicitors I've ever worked with."

Lesley Hannah "is really first class - very calm under fire with very sensible judgement"; "is passionate and extremely effective."

Belinda Hollway "is extremely well known and highly regarded."

Luke Streatfeild "is one of the top people on the competition side for collective actions. He's brilliant - very calm and collected, and doesn't get flustered by anything"; "is incredibly intelligent. He has a very good creative mind for collective action cases and a good ability to see through to the underlying legal issue."

Dispute Resolution Specialist Firms – Band 1

What the team is known for

Hausfeld have a leading disputes practice with broad based expertise. The firm is particularly noted for its work in the competition space, as well as in banking disputes and general commercial litigation. It is also noted for its consummate ability to act as both claimant and defendant. **Ned Beale**, co-head of Hausfeld's commercial disputes team, is a key contact at the firm.

Strengths

"Hausfeld provide the right advice at key moments, allowing you to make the right calls."

Banking Litigation: Mainly Claimant – Band 2

What the team is known for

Hausfeld is a highly regarded disputes firm that is regularly sought out to represent claimants in high-value banking litigation matters. The team is extremely adept at handling high stakes collective actions along with LIBOR-related disputes, matters under Section 90 of the FSMA Act 2000 and complex fraud cases, among numerous other issues.

Hausfeld specialises in acting for corporate claimants in high-profile banking disputes against major financial institutions. It offers a dedicated team of litigators experienced in taking on complex commercial disputes that are often multi-jurisdictional in scope. Hausfeld has a strong track record of acting for large claimant groups on cases relating to fraudulent misrepresentation and financial mis-selling. It also has experience handling matters concerning the manipulation of financial benchmarks.

Strengths

"The team is agile and sharp. They have the resources to 'scale up' teams to compete with large firms. Partners are across the detail and approach cases strategically."

"Hausfeld offers a high quality disputes team which is equipped to take on large banking institutions in complex claims."

"They are pragmatic, proactive and have the ability to deal with different international cultures and laws."

"Without exception we have found them to be well-informed, insightful, helpful and professional."

"They tend to find the right words that make the whole process fast and efficient."

"The Hausfeld London team has developed an in-depth knowledge and experience of the challenges faced by small to medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) and others in dispute with large financial firms."

"The team understood our business from the first conversation and were commercially minded to find the agreement we needed."

Ranked individuals

Eminent Practitioner **Anthony Maton** "is global co-chair of the firm and an experienced financial litigator. He has notable expertise acting in high-profile cases against prominent financial institutions, particularly matters involving the intersection between banking and competition law"; "is superb; he's pretty unflappable and very easy to talk to."

Lucy Pert "combines razor sharp intellect with excellent client skills"; "I love working with Lucy"; "She is sharp, professional and aggressive"; "has extensive experience managing international, cross-border litigation. She is well placed to advise clients on litigation funding matters and financial services. Pert's clients include corporates, high net worth individuals, hedge funds, private equity funds and insolvency practitioners."

Simon Bishop "is hard working and smart. He combines commercial problem-solving skills with legal solutions"; "he is always calm, insightful and a pleasure to work with"; "Simon's exceptional insight and intelligence, including strong emotional intelligence, have shone through in all of the work he has done"; "is cool, calm and collected in his communication, advice and advocacy."

Environment: Claimant – Band 3

What the team is known for

Hausfeld boasts an environment practice that represents NGOs, charities and groups of claimants in both domestic and international courts. The firm has notable experience handling environmental petitions and legal interventions. In addition, it has a fast-growing practice in climate change-related issues.

Strengths

"Hausfeld stand out for their strategic approach to climate litigation, their its deep expertise and their ability to integrate legal, scientific and policy dimensions in groundbreaking cases."

"Their innovative use of litigation to drive corporate accountability, combined with a strong international network and a commitment to strategic impact, sets them apart."