
**COMMERCIAL DISPUTES SOLICITOR
AT HAUSFELD**



If you would like to experience the life of a commercial disputes solicitor tackling high-quality, complex and international disputes in innovative ways, while working in a close-knit, inclusive environment, a position at Hausfeld may be what you are looking for. Hausfeld is an Equal Opportunities Employer and is committed to recruiting and retaining the best talent.

About Hausfeld

Hausfeld is a global dispute only law firm with 11 offices on both sides of the Atlantic, specialising in competition, commercial & financial disputes, human rights, product liability and environmental law. We have 19 litigation partners in London and 46 worldwide.

The firm pioneered the private enforcement of competition actions in Europe often against large defendants like banks, large corporates and big tech – often shaping the legal landscape. In addition, Hausfeld has a strong commercial disputes team which has been recognised by both Chambers and Legal 500 for its commercial, banking and international arbitration practices.

Much of our work involves acting for claimants and we represent businesses, public entities, institutional investors, shareholders, and individuals. Our clients include leading European and global brands in the automotive, retail and tech sector. We can work alongside our associate practices in the United States, Germany and the Netherlands. This cross-border capability further deepens our practice and has enabled us to reach precedent-setting global settlements. We offer significant experience of all aspects of collective redress, acting both for groups of businesses and consumers, and are at the forefront of bringing a growing number of collective claims in the UK.

Offering individuals and business access to justice is at the cornerstone of what we do. Our ability to offer flexible fee and funding structures allows claimants to bring proceedings with reduced or no financial risk. Having been one of the early adopters of third-party litigation funding, we have strong relationships with leading funders worldwide. Our commitment to access to justice means we also run an active pro-bono practice.

Role - Commercial Litigator 2-4 PQE

We are looking for a high calibre commercial disputes solicitor with excellent academics. Candidates will have a breadth of general commercial disputes experience, be well practiced in managing all aspects of litigation and arbitration as well as experience in running large-scale disclosure exercises, preparing witness statements and being involved in interim applications.

Applicants should be keen to take on a considerable degree of autonomy and responsibility, both in terms of client work and business development activities. You should have experience of, or feel comfortable with, grasping and employing new and innovative concepts as this is relevant to several aspects of our practice, such as group litigation and third-party funding. Applicants should also have an interest in competition litigation and a willingness to be involved in that team where cases are often very large.

Although there are inevitably occasions when members of the team work late, we try hard to achieve a work-life balance. The team is friendly and sociable and we genuinely believe in what we are trying to achieve as a firm. This makes Hausfeld a refreshing place to work.

Responsibilities:

- to take an active role on a portfolio of cases across industry sectors in the Commercial Disputes practice. Contributing to strategic decision-making, as well as the day-to-day running of cases, are central to this role;
- to deal with claims at the pre-litigation stage, including preparing claim forms and particulars of claim and engaging in pre-action protocol correspondence and dialogues;
- to manage large scale disclosure exercises;
- to prepare witness evidence, assist experts with preparing expert analysis and reports and assist in pursuing interim applications;
- to contribute to settlement negotiations, at all stages of the litigation;
- to work on large competition cases in addition to the commercial portfolio, developing an even more varied skill set;
- to engage actively in business development including working up new ideas for claims and contributing our thought leadership; and
- to contribute to the firms learning and development programme, including delivering training.

Essential attributes:

Candidates will have:

- recent and relevant experience in commercial disputes, dealing with the responsibilities listed above;
- excellent knowledge of the CPR and the White Book and familiarity with the various arbitral fora rules;
- experience in the key stages of litigation and arbitration including disclosure and preparation for disclosure, witness statements, dealing with experts, applications and CMCs;

- experience in, or knowledge of, settlement dialogues and settling litigation, including mediation;
- the ability to grasp new areas of law quickly and be flexible to join teams with a competition law focus; and
- excellent client and team communication skills, drafting and negotiation skills.

Beneficial attributes:

Experience in the following is desired but not essential to applicants wishing to apply for this position:

- be a qualified solicitor in England & Wales with 2-4 years PQE;
- experience of acting for both claimants and defendants in disputes;
- experience of both English court litigation and commercial and international arbitration;
- experience of dealing with funders/insurers; and
- experience of working on active business development.

As a relatively small, specialist firm, we are looking to recruit aspiring lawyers who share our commitment to delivering top-quality legal advice, and those who want to become part of our personable, inclusive, and supportive work environment. Excellent academics and relevant work experience are important, but we also consider a dynamic workforce to be key in tackling modern legal challenges.

TO APPLY, please send an email with your CV to recruitment-london@hausfeld.com.