

Sue Prevezer QC

YEAR OF CALL: 1983 YEAR OF SILK: 2000

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Practice Overview

Sue Prevezer QC is a senior barrister with over 30 years' experience in commercial litigation at every level of the UK judicial system and in international arbitration. Sue sits as a Deputy High Court Judge in the Chancery Division of the High Court and has conducted arbitrations, as sole, co-arbitrator and chair under the major arbitral institutions. She is admitted to the Bar in both the Cayman and the BVI. Sue is also a CEDR accredited mediator, and since joining Brick Court Chambers, has been mediating large commercial disputes across various sectors, including commercial, banking, company law and financial services.

Arbitration

Sue has acted both as advocate and arbitrator in numerous international arbitration proceedings. She accepts arbitration appointments as Chair and co-arbitrator under most major arbitral institutions and is on the register of arbitrators with both the LCIA and the ICC. Prior to joining Brick Court, Sue was the co-managing partner of the London Office of Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP and, dual qualified as solicitor and barrister, assisted clients across numerous sectors, including banking, insolvency, restructuring, insurance, financial services, general commercial law and IP.

Mediation

Sue is a CEDR accredited Mediator and has significant experience of mediation and mediating complex commercial disputes. Since joining Brick Court Chamber, Sue has been accepting appointments as mediator for large commercial disputes.

Commercial

From her 12 years as co-managing partner at Quinn Emanuel and prior to that, from her time at the Bar, Sue has gained considerable experience in managing high value cross-border litigation, including international arbitration with English and foreign law issues. In particular, she has extensive experience in litigation involving fraud, breach of warranty, regulatory issues, insolvency, banking, restructuring, defamation, white collar crime and complex trusts for both corporations and individuals.

Sue has repeatedly been listed as a "Leading Individual" by Legal 500 in Commercial and Banking Litigation and International Arbitration. Chambers & Partners describes her as a "tough as nails but really good to work with and just fearsomely bright", "a great advocate and very personable" and that she has "a very nice, stylish manner about her". Chambers & Partners says that, with her experience as a barrister and solicitor, Sue brings the best of both worlds to bear for clients facing high-stakes commercial litigation.

Chambers & Partners ranked Sue in Band 1 for both Litigation and Dispute Resolution and Litigation, UK, and Band 2 in both their UK, Europe-wide and Global rankings for Commercial and Banking Litigation.

She has also been ranked in Band 3 for Litigation and has been recognised by this publication as both a "Leader in their Field", as well as both a Leading and a Recommended Lawyer (Commercial and Banking Litigation, 2015). Sue has recently been selected by her peers for the inclusion in The Best Lawyers in UK 2018 and 2019 in the fields of Banking and Finance law.

Reported cases

Lead counsel in *Re Sigma Finance Corporation*, winning one of the first judgments handed down by the UK Supreme Court.

Lead counsel for a senior creditor in litigation concerning the restructuring of a Structured Investment Vehicle, Whistlejacket, and adviser to the senior creditors committee on litigation concerning the restructuring of another SIV, Golden Key.

One of the leading counsel team for HSH Nordbank in its high profile \$275 million victory against UBS, a case involving multiple agreements with conflicting jurisdiction provision. The judgment was a unanimous decision of the English Court of Appeal.

Counsel to Oleg Deripaska, a Russian entrepreneur and investor in high profile, the defendant in proceedings instituted by Michael Cherney which saw one of the largest claims brought in the High Court of England and Wales in the last decade.

Counsel for a Guernsey fund in contested arbitration proceedings in a dispute indirectly related to the

insolvency of Lehman Brothers.

Counsel for the bondholders in litigation against the trustee of a bond issue in *Concord Trust v Law Debenture Trust Corp Plc*.

Sue has acted and advised on a wide range of banking disputes – in particular with respect to the international tracing of funds and constructive trusts and on various insurance/FSA regulatory matters.

Sue is retained by a group of financial institutions against the Royal Bank of Scotland in the Rights Issue litigation in the High Court of England and Wales.

Sue is currently advising PriceWaterhouseCoopers (PwC) following the administration of Phones 4U.

Sue has represented and obtained a judgment in favour of a Class A Noteholder in relation to proceedings brought by a Master Servicer of a CMBS as to the construction of the transaction documents – TITAN

Sue is currently advising the ESSAR Group in relation to proceedings brought against it by ArcelorMittal.

Sue has sat as the Presiding Arbitrator, in a three-member Tribunal, in an LCIA arbitration concerning a contractual and intellectual property dispute.

Sue has also sat as a co-arbitrator in a high-profile dispute regarding a bank loan agreement and guarantee in another LCIA arbitration.

Sue is currently instructed to act for a subsidiary of a global mining company in an LCIA and an ICC Arbitration brought against the company in relation to contractual disputes.

Sue is engaged by Qualcomm in relation to its commercial disputes in the UK.

Sue is engaged by a high net worth individual in connection with regulatory matters.

Education & Qualifications

Girton College, University of Cambridge: BA, MA (Law (Part 1), Social and Political Science (Part 2))

Admitted to the Bar in the British Virgin Islands

Admitted to the Bar in the Cayman Islands

Accredited CEDR Mediator