

Claire Sansome

Senior Associate

Restructuring & Insolvency



Claire is a restructuring and insolvency specialist within Edwin Coe's Tier 1 Chambers-ranked Insolvency team.

Her insolvency work covers both contentious and non-contentious advice, involves acting for clients including insolvency practitioners, creditors, debtors, SMEs, company directors and individuals. Claire is used to working in a commercial, fast paced environment as part of Edwin Coe's restructuring and insolvency team and enjoys developing and maintaining client relationships. She always strives to provide comprehensive advice which facilitates positive results for clients.

As part of her practice, Claire also advises clients in respect of various commercial litigation matters including debt claims, corporate and contractual disputes, breaches of trust and unfair prejudice claims.

Claire qualified as a solicitor in 2016 having completed her training contract at a boutique firm in Mayfair. She joined Edwin Coe as an Associate in 2019 and is a member of R3 (the Association of Business Recovery Professionals).

Experience

- Acting for a client who required an urgent application for an injunction to prevent the presentation and advertisement of a winding up petition against a company.
- Advising directors about their duties to their company and creditors in accordance with the insolvency legislation in order to enable them to protect their businesses or transition into an insolvency process in a compliant manner.
- Advising directors in respect of overdrawn loan accounts, contractual claims brought against them by office holders, breaches of their statutory and fiduciary duties to include bounce back loan claims.
- Acting for liquidators in actions against directors, including claims for misfeasance and wrongful trading.
- Acting for trustees in bankruptcy in cases involving non-compliant bankrupts, the disputed ownership of assets, alleged third party interests in assets and antecedent transactions.
- Acting for a trustee in bankruptcy in a case during which the bankrupt individual was found to have provided false evidence to the Court: *Ravikanth Borra (also known as Ravi Gupta) v The Commissioners for HM Revenue and Customs* [2022] EWHC 1195 (Ch).
- Advising a finance business against whom liquidators of a company had intimated a claim under the "Quincecare duty".
- Acting for the Joint Administrators on an urgent Court application to extend the administration.
- Acting for office-holders in relation to companies which were fraudulent vehicles, formulating claims against directors and connected third parties in order to obtain realisations for the benefit of the creditors.
- Advising the sellers of an oil and gas licence with regard to a £1 million claim against them for an alleged breach of the terms of a Share Purchase Agreement specifically relating to obligations under the SPA to use its best endeavours and meeting certain commercial

activity warranties. Settlement was eventually negotiated by the parties during a mediation.

- Advising siblings in a claim under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependents) Act 1975 against a third sibling. A settlement was reached in favour of our clients providing them with a substantial sum from the estate of their deceased parents.

Expertise

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- Commercial litigation
- Insolvency

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