

Ben is a Partner in Eversheds' Financial Institutions Group. He specializes in dispute resolution and has acted on behalf of a range of international and UK-based banks, hedge funds, fund managers and brokers.

As well as in London, Ben has worked in the Middle East and has considerable experience of litigation in the Pakistani and Indian Courts.

His recent experience includes:

Advising a Singaporean hedge fund in a dispute with a counterparty, which failed to perform its obligations under a Share Option agreement. Proceedings were issued in the High Court, together with a successful urgent application for a worldwide freezing order.

Advising a leading German bank in a dispute with a broker counterparty, which alleged breaches of express and implied terms in a Brokerage Agreement for the introduction of syndicated real estate financing business. The dispute involved considering the impact on the quantum of damages of the credit crunch and the effective closure of the secondary debt market since August 2007.

Acting on behalf of a Middle Eastern investment bank in complex, multi-jurisdictional matters in which it was seeking to enforce a High Court judgment and arbitration awards in the UK, India, Belgium and Pakistan following disputes raising issues of Sharia compliance. The matters involved an application for oral examination of a debtor under CPR Part 71, a successful application for confiscation of the debtor's passport and successfully opposing an application under the Protection from Harassment Act in connection with the boundaries of appropriate action taken by inquiry agents. An application was also made in the Pakistani Court for enforcement under the New York Convention, which was the first application of its kind in Pakistan following the recent ratification of the Convention.

Ben has written articles on multi-jurisdictional enforcement and asset-tracing and on strategies to maximise the commercial value of disputes.