

Collas Crill announces further promotions across its Cayman and BVI offices

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Collas Crill has made a number of further promotions across its offices in the Cayman Islands and the British Virgin Islands (BVI).

In the Cayman Islands, <u>Sally Peedom</u> has been promoted to Counsel, while <u>Kirsten Bailey</u> has been promoted to Senior Associate. In the BVI, <u>Dave Marshall</u> has been promoted to Counsel.

Sally is a member of the Private Client and Trusts team. She specialises in both contentious and noncontentious international trusts and private client work.

As a commercial litigator, Sally has experience in shareholder disputes, and insolvency litigation and general commercial disputes. She has more than 13 years of experience working offshore in both Cayman and Guernsey.

Sally has significant experience in relation to trust litigation matters, including in relation to applications for directions, court blessings, mistake and rectification, as well as grants of probate and letters of administration, and resealing foreign grants.

Prior to moving to Cayman in 2016, Sally worked in Guernsey and in Australia for several years.

Sally is admitted as a Solicitor in New South Wales and the High Court of Australia, and as an attorney-at-law in the Cayman Islands.

Global Head of the firm's Private Client and Trusts team, <u>Christian Hay</u>, said: 'Sally is well regarded by her peers and clients, both locally and internationally, for her non-contentious private client expertise. Colleagues say that she is passionate about her clients and her work, goes the extra mile, truly cares and makes the Cayman office a brilliant place to work.

'This well-deserved promotion to Counsel recognises her expertise and highlights the growth and development of our Cayman private client practice.'

Kirsten joined Collas Crill in 2019 and is currently on secondment in the Cayman Islands as part of the Insolvency and Corporate Disputes team.

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She regularly advises clients on contentious matters in various areas of law, including contractual disputes, torts and general commercial disputes.

Kirsten also advises on dispute prevention and risk mitigation measures, such as effective contract drafting and negotiation, and alternative dispute resolution mechanisms. She also has a particular interest in how fintech can be integrated into dispute resolution mechanisms, and on the resolution of disputes within the sphere.

Local Managing Partner in the Cayman Islands, and global head of the firm's Insolvency and Corporate Disputes team, <u>Stephen Leontsinis</u>, said: 'Kirsten's keen interest in contentious matters, dispute resolution and the developing laws in relation to fintech make her a true asset to the Insolvency and Corporate disputes team. Since joining Collas Crill in 2019, she has been described as "effortless to work with", "exceptionally clever" and "good with clients". It is a pleasure to announce her promotion to Senior Associate.

Dave is a member of the Insolvency and Corporate Disputes team in the BVI. His practice encompasses a broad range of civil and commercial litigation practice in the BVI where he regularly appears before all Courts in the Territory up to the Eastern Caribbean Court of Appeal. Dave has a keen focus on insolvency and restructuring, director and shareholder disputes, contentious probate matters, employment disputes, contentious trusts, fraud, asset-tracing and freezing injunctions.

'Since joining the firm in 2020, Dave has worked tirelessly to further strengthen our Insolvency and Corporate Disputes offering in the BVI, and I am delighted that his promotion to Counsel will help to propel this growth even further. Dave is well regarded amongst clients and peers, described as a "stellar performer" in Legal 500 and is a recommended lawyer in the Caribbean in 2023. Congratulations, Dave', said Stephen Leontsinis.

'It is an honour to announce this year's promotions,' said <u>Jason Romer</u>, Group Managing Partner.

'We pride ourselves on being easy to do business with. Our people are at the heart of this and without brilliant people, we couldn't build the trusted relationships to deliver a consistently exceptional service to our clients. As a firm we are passionate about helping our people grow and develop their career. These individuals have shown that they are ready, willing and more than able to step up to their next role through their attitude, expertise and commitment to the firm. Congratulations to them all.'

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