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## Moritz Grimm

Barrister

Call 2024



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## Scope of Practice

• Arbitration • Commercial Litigation • Company and Insolvency • Energy and Natural Resources • Banking and Financial Services • Civil Fraud • Group Litigation

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## Overview

Moritz is developing a broad commercial practice across all areas of Chambers' work. He has experience in both litigation and arbitration (including in arbitration-related Court proceedings), and acts regularly in complex cases. In addition to his led practice, Moritz has appeared as sole counsel in the County Court.

### Moritz's current and recent instructions include:

#### **British Telecommunications PLC & Ors v Telereal Securitised Property Trustee 1 Limited & Ors:**

Complex and high value Part 7 proceedings in the Chancery Division (Business List) between seller and successful bidder, flowing from BT's 2001 restructuring of its property holdings through sale and leaseback arrangements. Anthony de Garr Robinson KC and Moritz Grimm act for the Claimants - instructed by CMS.

#### **LCN Sapphire Trustee 1 Limited & Anor (as trustees of the Webb Sapphire Property Unit Trust) v Wiseman & Ors:**

Commercial Court proceedings flowing from an aggressive restructuring that left several companies within the corporate group unable to meet their liabilities. LCN alleges (in Part 7 proceedings) that the restructuring involved an unlawful means conspiracy among entities and individuals within the *Aurelius Group*. LCN has commenced Norwich Pharmacal proceedings against the current sole director of AAH (Wiseman), former directors of AAH and its parent company, Admenta UK, and the joint liquidators of AAH in order to identify the alleged co-conspirators and uncover the full extent of the conspiracy. Andrew McLeod and Moritz Grimm act for Claimant LCN entities - instructed by Pinsent Mason LLP.

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### **LCIA Proceedings [2025]:**

For a FTSE 250 company in LCIA-administered proceedings under the UNCITRAL Rules in the quantum phase of arbitration proceedings, fixed for 5-days in September 2025. Sophie Weber and Moritz Grimm act for the Claimant - instructed by Slaughter and May.

### **AZ v BY [2024] EWHC 1847 (Comm):**

For the seller of liquified natural gas cargoes in the Commercial Court on an arbitration dispute, engaging questions of the construction of arbitral awards and the doctrine of *functus officio*; and subsequently on appeal to the Court of Appeal (Feb 2025, judgment pending). Sa'ad Hossain KC and Moritz Grimm act for the Claimant/Appellant - instructed by Ashurst LLP.

### **FW Aviation (Holdings) Limited v VietJet Aviation Joint Stock Company:**

Commercial Court proceedings arising from four aircraft leasing transactions. Lord (David) Wolfson KC, Sebastian Issac KC and Moritz Grimm acted for the Defendant - instructed by Elborne Mitchell LLP.

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## **Examples of Recent Cases**

### **Arbitration**

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**AZ v BY [2024] EWHC 1847 (Comm):** acting (led by Sa'ad Hossain KC) for the seller of liquified natural gas cargoes in an arbitration dispute, engaging questions of the construction of arbitral awards and the doctrine of *functus officio*.

**Unicredit Bank GmbH v RusChemAlliance LLC:** assisted Sa'ad Hossain KC and Alexander Brown (during pupillage) on proceedings concerning the principles applicable to anti-suit injunctions in support of foreign-seated arbitration proceedings: see [2024] EWCA Civ 64.

**ICC Arbitration:** assisted David Cavender KC, Alexander Brown, and Sabrina Nanchahal (during pupillage) in proceedings regarding disputed rights to participate as part of a consortium in the context of a state-tender in a foreign telecommunications market.

### **Banking and Finance**

**Frasers Group Plc v (1) Saxo Bank Plc & (2) Morgan Stanley & Co International Plc:** assisted Camilla Bingham KC, James MacDonald KC, and Richard Mott (during pupillage) in a claim in which Mike Ashley (the owner of the Claimant) alleged that Morgan Stanley had conspired unlawfully to close out the Claimant's share options.

### **Commercial Litigation**

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**FWA v VietJet:** acting (with Lord Wolfson KC, Alexander Milner KC, and Giles Robertson) for the defendant in a claim arising from four aircraft leasing transactions.

**Virgin Enterprises v Brightline Holdings:** assisted Daniel Toledano KC and Maximilian Schlote (during pupillage) in acting for Virgin Enterprises in a claim relating to the early termination of a licensing agreement.

**Entain Holdings v Sports Entertainment Media:** assisted Sonia Tolaney KC and Eleanor Campbell (during pupillage) in a claim for breach of warranties in relation to the purchase of a Dutch gambling business.

## Group Litigation

**Município de Mariana v BHP:** assisted Daniel Toledano KC, Nicholas Sloboda KC, and others (during pupillage) in the largest ever group action before the English courts concerning environmental damage in Brazil arising from the collapse of the Fundão dam.

## Intellectual Property

Assisted Phil Roberts KC and Alaina Newnes (during pupillage) in advising on a trade marks dispute.

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# Education

Bar Training Course, Inns of Court College of Advocacy [2021]-[2023]

Postgraduate Diploma in Law (Distinction), BPP [2020]-[2021]

MA in French Horn Performance, Royal Academy of Music [2018]-[2020]

BA in Anglo-Saxon, Norse, and Celtic, Robinson College, Cambridge (First with Distinction (Starred First)) [2015]-[2018]

# Selected Scholarships and Awards

The Queen's Scholarship, Middle Temple [2021]

Honourable Mention for the Eric E. Bergsten Award (Top 16), Willem C. Vis Moot [2021]

Queen Mother GDL Scholarship, Middle Temple [2020]

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## Languages

German

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## Awards



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