

Biography



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Expertise

Private Wealth, BVI domestic commercial, Trusts and estates, Private trust companies, International wills, Probate and letters of administration

Matthew Howson is a member of our London office, specialising in BVI and Cayman trust law, general private client and estate planning matters. His clients include individuals and families, trust companies and family offices, as well as institutional clients such as banks.

His current practice includes creating, administering and advising on often complex trust structures. He also drafts wills covering BVI assets, and administers BVI estates. His work invariably has an international and multi-jurisdictional dimension.

Matthew is a full member of the Society of Trust & Estate Practitioners (STEP). He regularly speaks to small and large audiences worldwide about succession planning, and also assists in developing new BVI legislation. He has contributed to publications such as the STEP Journal, Trusts & Estates Law & Tax Journal, Private Client Adviser, and LexisNexis Seminars.

Prior to joining us in 2016, Matthew worked at leading London private client firm Penningtons Manches LLP.

Recommendations

- **Legal 500 UK, 2021 – 2023:** Matthew is recognised as a rising star. Sources say: Matthew is a “private wealth specialist whose personality makes him a pleasure to work with.” (2023 guide)
- **Legal Week – Private Client Global Elite, 2022 - 2024:** Matthew is recognised in the global excellence category (2024), he was previously recognised as a rising leader (2022 - 2023).
- **Legal 500 Caribbean, 2019:** Matthew is recommended in the British Virgin Islands Trusts/Private Client guide.
- **Eprivateclient, 2019 – 2020:** Matthew is recognised in the Top 35 Under 35 guide.

Bar Admissions

- British Virgin Islands 2017
- England and Wales 2013

Education

- Kaplan University (LPC) 2011
- BPP University (GDL) 2010
- University of Oxford (MSc) 2008
- University College London (BA) 2007

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