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Robert has for 35 years primarily advised the insurance and reinsurance community. He conducts national and international insurance and reinsurance disputes on behalf of a variety of clients (underwriters, brokers and agents) predominantly regarding liability and coverage issues across a broad spectrum of policy types. His practice encompasses both litigation and arbitration matters.

In addition, he advises on regulatory and compliance issues and run-off strategies.

More recently, he has been engaged in the establishment of offshore captive and cell captive formations.

He qualified as a Solicitor of the Republic of Ireland in 2018.

Robert speaks Dutch, French and Spanish

## **Career Overview**

Qualifying in 1984, Robert has acted for those within the insurance and reinsurance industry during the course of his career spanning over 35 years.

Robert joined Carter Perry Bailey as a Consultant in 2012, having been a Partner and Consultant at several leading insurance law firms. In order to maintain his rights of audience in Europe, he qualified as a Solicitor in The Republic of Ireland in 2018.

He has advised in insurance and reinsurance business, from policy wordings to liabilities arising and coverage disputes. Throughout that time his clients have ranged from carriers, brokers, intermediaries, insureds and reinsureds. His approach has been wherever possible to reach practical commercial solutions.

His practice has therefore been both non-contentious and contentious. Non-contentious advice on policy wordings across most classes of cover, FSA regulation and compliance, run-off strategies, disaster management for major infrastructure projects, as well as the setting up of offshore insurance entities such as Captives and Cell bodies.

He has been instrumental in developing legal interpretation of novel coverage areas – travel, business interruption, event cancellation, contingency – for various parties in the insurance industry.

He has experience in contentious work in all dispute forums in the UK and many abroad. This has ranged from major complex loss casualty claims, for a time particularly relating to rail disasters. More recently handling significant disputes for the recovery of pension fund investment in insurance launches, and disputes with Coverholders. In many instances these have required close interaction with the FSA and FOS.

## Appointments & Memberships

Chairman - Association of Insurance & Reinsurance Service Providers ("AirSP") British Insurance Law Association ("BILA") Freeman of the City of London City of London Solicitors Company