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I am a partner in and co-head of the Financial Markets & Products Group and the Financial Services Sector at Fieldfisher.

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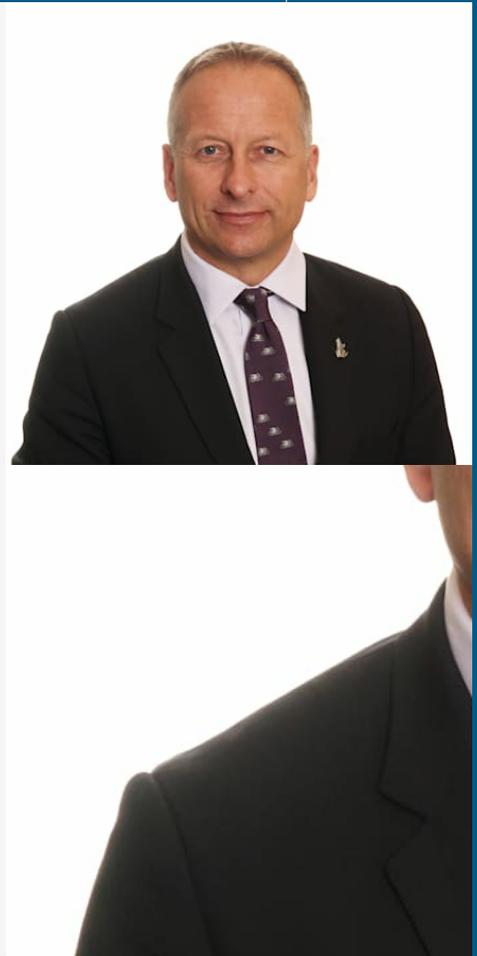
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[United Kingdom](#)



My practice includes a range of transactional, advisory and restructuring work, with particular expertise in real estate finance, fintech, banking and asset management.

I advise lenders and borrowers on new loan transactions principally in real estate finance, asset management, technology and life sciences.

I also advise debt and equity investors, corporates and other professional advisers on complex corporate and finance documentation in the context of corporate and insolvency law.

A large part of my work focuses on the intersection between traditional financing structures and new technology – an area where clients increasingly require astute legal guidance, due to the rapid evolution of FinTech capabilities and accompany regulation.

I have over 20 years' experience and am ranked as a "*leading individual*" by both Chambers UK 2018 and the Legal 500 2017.

I have been described as "*pragmatic and commercial*", leading a team that "*decodes complex legal concepts into easily understandable language*" and "*with enormous energy and commitment on complex transactions*".

Clients include international banks, hedge funds, real estate funds and corporates.

I am a regular contributor to Fieldfisher's real estate finance blog – REflections from the Riverbank – and an active member of [CREFC](#) on the leadership committee of their [Intercreditors Working Group](#) and an active member of the [Loan Market Association](#) and the [Urban Land Institute](#).

I am also a keen cyclist, runner and regularly participate in charity cycling events for Fieldfisher and in a personal capacity.

My experience includes:

- Advising lenders and borrowers on a range of development and investment financings in the UK, including a range of operating assets (hotels, student accommodation, care homes) as well as retail, office and logistics
- Advising on a range of matters to a start-up financial institution in the UK
- Advising an international lender on a range of debt financings in the innovation industries (fintech/life sciences/ tech)
- Advising the investors in a retirement village developer and operator on the corporate and debt restructuring of its business, creating a better return for all creditors
- Advising overseas investors on the rescue by way of debt purchase, refinancing and rebranding, of a UK hotel portfolio that was in receivership