

Press release from P.R.I.M.E. Finance Foundation

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Former Chief Justice and prominent UK lawyers join new world financial tribunal

A number of highly respected experts have accepted appointment to P.R.I.M.E. Finance, a recently opened tribunal devoted to settling the world's most complex and contentious financial cases. The Hon Michael Black AC QC, Judith Gill QC and William Wood QC will enrich its offering of dispute resolution experts. Michael Brindle QC, Professor Roger McCormick, Gabriel Moss QC, and Professor Sarah Worthington QC will diversify its offering of financial experts.

P.R.I.M.E. Finance, which offers arbitration and mediation services, will draw from its over 80-strong Panel of Experts in order to resolve disputes arising from complex financial transactions and to create a settled body of law.

Further information about the new appointments:

The Honourable Michael Black AC QC, Retired Chief Justice of the Federal Court of Australia; Former Co-President of the International Association of Supreme Administrative Jurisdictions (Australia).

Michael Brindle QC, Barrister at Fountain Court Chambers; Member of the Financial Markets Law Committee; Recorder of the UK Crown Court; Member of the SIAC and Kuala Lumpur Panels of Arbitrators; Former Chairman of the Commercial Bar Association; Former Chairman of Bar Council Education and Training and International Committees (UK).

Judith Gill QC, Partner at Allen & Overy LLP and Head of its International Arbitration Group; Director of the American Arbitration Center, SIAC and LCIA and former member of the LCIA Court; Member of the ICC UK Arbitration Group; Fellow of the Institute of Advanced Legal Studies and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (UK).

Professor Roger McCormick, Visiting Professor at the London School of Economics and Codirector of LSE's Sustainable Finance Project; Non-executive Director of SMBC Derivative Products; Author of Legal Risk in the Financial Markets (Oxford University Press, 2010) (UK).

Gabriel Moss QC, Barrister at 3-4 South Square Chambers; Member of the Financial Markets Law Committee; Authorised to sit as Deputy High Court Judge in the UK Chancery Division; Member of the Bank of England Working Group on Property Interests in Investment Securities; Member of the Bank of England Working Group on Financial Collateral; Chairman of the Editorial Board of Insolvency Intelligence; Founding Member of the Board of the Insolvency Research Unit, King's College, London; Author of Lightman & Moss, The Law of Administration and Receivers of Companies (and other works) (UK).

William Wood QC, Independent Mediator at Brick Court Chambers; Member of the English Civil Mediation Council Board and Chair of its Accreditation Committee (UK).

Professor Sarah Worthington QC, Downing Professor of Law at Cambridge University; Academic Member at 3-4 South Square Chambers; Member of Council, British Academy; Professorial Fellow of the Law School at University of Melbourne; Member of the Insolvency Lawyers' Academic Advisory Group; former President of the Society of Legal Scholars; Author of Equity (Clarenden Law Series OUP) (and other works) (UK and Australia).

For more information on the complete list of experts and further details about the foundation, please refer to the website: www.primefinancedisputes.org.

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