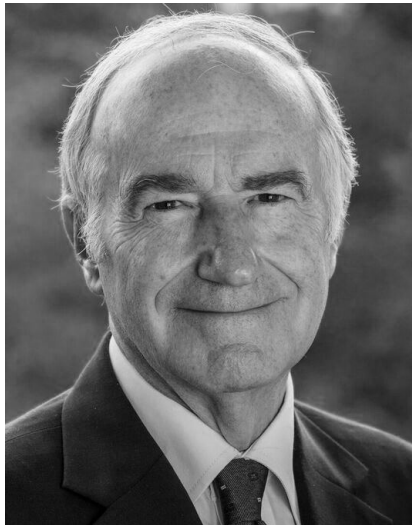


Sir William Blair



Bill Blair is Professor of Financial Law and Ethics at Queen Mary University of London at the Centre for Commercial Law Studies. He is President of the Board of Appeal of the European Supervisory Authorities, and a former High Court Judge, who was Judge in Charge of the Commercial Court. He is an Associate Member of Chambers at 3VB (3 Verulam Buildings), London, in the arbitration group.

Appointments

- Visiting Professor of Law, London School of Economics and Political Science, 1994 –
- Honorary Fellow of the Society for Advanced Legal Studies, 1997 –
- Member of the Academic Advisory Board, Asian Institute of International Financial Law, Hong Kong University Faculty of Law, 1999 –
- Legal Chairman, Financial Services and Markets Tribunal, 2001- 2010
- Chairman, Commercial Bar Association (COMBAR), 2003-2005
- Member of Bank of England Task Force on Major Operational Disruption in the Financial System, and Chair of the Emergency Powers Working Group, 2003 – 2004
- Chairman of the International Monetary Law Committee of the International Law Association, 2004 –
- Trustee, International Law Book Facility, 2005 – 2016
- Chairman, Qatar Financial Centre Regulatory Tribunal, 2006 – 2011
- Judge of the High Court of England and Wales, Commercial Court, 2008 – 2017
- Member of the Financial Markets Law Committee 2008 –
- Member of the Board of Trustees, British Institute of International and Comparative Law, 2009 – 2015
- Judge of the Upper Tribunal Tax and Chancery Chamber, 2010 – 2015
- Chair of the Executive Committee of the Secured Transactions Law Reform Project, 2010 –
- President of the Board of Appeal of the European Supervisory Authorities, 2012 –
- Member of the Steering Committee of the Bank of England's Open Forum, Guildhall, 2015
- Nominated judge of the Financial list (High Court of England and Wales), 2015 – 2017
- Judge in Charge of the Commercial Court (High Court of England and Wales), 2016 – 2017
- Member of Expert Working Group of the China and UK judiciary on commercial dispute resolution, 2016 –
- Member of the Steering Group for the British Academy's Challenge of Change on 'The Future of the Corporation', 2016 –
- Member of Bank of England's Legal Expert Panel on EU Exit, 2016 –
- Expert adviser to Oxford University OBOR Institute (socio-legal issues arising from China's belt and road initiative), 2016 –
- Distinguished Visiting Professor, East China University of Politics and Law, 2016 – 2019
- Distinguished Visiting Professor, Peking University Law School, 2017 – 2020
- Professor of Financial Law and Ethics, Queen Mary University of London, Centre for Commercial Law Studies, 2017 –



- Fellow of the Oxford University Commercial Law Centre, 2017 –
- Associate Member of Chambers at 3 Verulam Buildings, London, and in the arbitration group, 2017 –
- Member of P.R.I.M.E. Finance's Advisory Board and Panel of Experts, 2017 –
- Appointed a Judge of the Qatar International Court, 2018 –
- Fellow Academic Member of the European Banking Institute, a joint venture of European universities organised under German law, 2018 –
- Cheng Yu Tung Visiting Professor, Faculty of Law, University of Hong Kong, 2018 – 2021
- Honorary Member of the Commercial Bar Association, 2018 –
- Deputy Judge of the Court of First Instance of the High Court of Hong Kong, 2018 –

As a High Court judge in England and Wales, Bill Blair became Judge in Charge of the Commercial Court, and was jointly responsible for the Financial List. He has handed down many decisions particularly in the field of banking and finance. The cases he has dealt with include markets, construction, technology, shareholder disputes, commodities, shipping, insurance and insolvency.

A large part of the work of the Commercial Court concerns international arbitration, and as a Judge he handed down many decisions in the field of arbitration, and had overall responsibility for the arbitration cases as Judge in Charge of the Court. He continues to sit occasionally in the Court.

His current fields of academic research interest include fintech, financial crime and financial inclusion.

He chairs the Law and Ethics in Finance Project, an informal group concerned with raising standards in the financial sector.

He has participated in missions for the World Bank, the International Monetary Fund and the Asian Development Bank. He has spoken in many different countries on legal subjects, particularly in the field of financial law and commercial dispute resolution.

A list of his publications is below.

Publications

Books

- Editor *Banks and Remedies*, 2nd edn (LLP, London, 1999)
- Co-editor *Encyclopaedia of Banking Law* (Butterworths, London, 1999) looseleaf and electronic format
- Editor *Banks, Liability and Risk*, 3rd edn (LLP, London, 2001)
- Co-author *Banking and Financial Services Regulation*, 3rd edn (Butterworths, London, 2002)
- Consultant editor, *Butterworths Securities and Financial Services Law Handbook*, 2009 Recession Special Supplement (Lexis-Nexis 2009)
- Consultant editor, *Butterworth's Banking Law Handbook*, 8th edn (Lexis-Nexis, 2010)
- General editor *Bullen & Leake & Jacob's Precedents of Pleadings*, 18th edn (Sweet & Maxwell 2015)
- Co-editor, *Banks and Financial Crime, the International Law of Tainted Money* 2nd edn (Oxford University Press, 2017)
- Forthcoming: *Research Handbook on Ethics in Banking and Finance*, co-ed with Costanza Russo and Rosa Lastra to be published by Edward Elgar Publishing

Periodicals

- General Editor Journal of Banking Regulation
- Member editorial board of Capital Markets Law Journal
- Member of the editorial advisory board of Journal of International Banking Law and Regulation



- Foreign contributing editor, Banking & Finance Law Review (Canada)

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- *Charges over Cash Deposits*, International Financial Law Review, Nov 1983, p.14
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- *Recent Developments in UK Banking Law*, (a chapter in Current Legal Issues Affecting Central Banks, ed R. Effros, Vol 4, International Monetary Fund, March 1997) p.235
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- *Derivatives Sales: Private Law and the Impact of Regulatory Standards*, (a chapter in European Securities markets, ed G. Ferrarini, Kluwer, London, 1998) p.135
- *Dealing with Banks in Distress*, foreword and afterword to chs 10 and 11 of Current Legal Issues affecting Central Banks (ed R. Effros, Vol 5, IMF, April 1998) pp.252 and 303
- *Payment Obligations during the Transitional Phase of Monetary Union*, JIBL, special issue on the international financial markets, 1998, p.2 (with Richard Brent)
- *Enforcement of Bank Claims and the Law of Security*, (a chapter in Current Developments in Monetary and Financial Law, Vol 1, International Monetary Fund, 1999), p.451
- *Secondary Liability of Financial Institutions for the Fraud of Third Parties*, (2000) Vol 30 Hong Kong Law Journal p.74
- *Interference of Public Law in the Performance of International Monetary Obligations*, Ch 21, International Monetary Law, ed Giovanoli, (Oxford University Press, Oxford, 2000)
- *A Successful Milestone in the UK's Regulatory Reform*, Journal of Internat. Banking Reg'n, Vol 2 No 2, July 2000, p.1 (editorial)
- *Liability of Central Banks and Supervisory Authorities*, BIS Legal Experts' Symposium, 19 October 2000
- *International Standards in the Governance of Financial Markets*, Journal of Financial Crime, Vol 8, No 3, Feb 2001, p.248 (with Cheong Ann Png)
- *Jurisdiction, Conflicts of Law, and the Internet*, (chapter 8 in Capital Markets in the Age of the Euro, ed Ferrarini, Hopt and Wymeersch, Kluwer, The Hague, 2002) p.153 (with D Quest)
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