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Areas of Practice

- Cross-Border Litigation
- Derivatives and Credit Default Swaps Litigation & Restructuring Team
- First Party Property Coverage
- Insurance & Reinsurance
- London & Brussels Insurance, Reinsurance & Regulatory Practice
- Financial Products Coverage Litigation & Counseling
- Reinsurance Litigation, Arbitration & Counseling
- Litigation

Education

Guildford College of Law, Dip Law, PGCLE, 1994
 St Peter's College, Oxford University, M.A., 1992

Admitted

Solicitor, England & Wales

Gavin Coull

Gavin is a Partner in the London office of Steptoe & Johnson where he is a member of the firm's Insurance group. He acts for the London insurance and reinsurance market (both Lloyd's and companies) and international carriers, as well as corporate insureds. Before joining Steptoe, Gavin was a partner in a prominent London insurance and reinsurance practice.

Gavin specialises in dispute resolution and coverage advice for reinsurers and reinsureds, in respect of both treaty and facultative business, as well as complex international direct business and binding authority issues. He is also regularly instructed in matters involving fraud and has experience of obtaining and enforcing freezing injunctions and search and seizure orders, and of acting as Court appointed Supervising Solicitor. He has extensive experience of litigation, arbitration and alternative dispute resolution, and has had conduct of significant matters in England and overseas (Bermuda and the US amongst others) and frequently acts as co-coordinating counsel for multi-jurisdictional disputes.

Reported cases in which Gavin has acted include *Markel International Insurance Company Limited v Timothy Higgins (Court of Appeal)* [2009] EWCA Civ 790, *Markel International Insurance Company Limited v Surety Guarantee Consultants Limited & Ors* [2008] EWHC 1135 (Comm), *Markel v SGC & Ors* [2008] EWHC 3087 (Comm) and *Sanger & Apter v Beazley* [1999] LILR 424.

Gavin also has a non-contentious practice, advising on insurance and reinsurance programme structuring and wordings, both traditional and alternative.

He is ranked as a leading individual for insurance work by the 2010 edition of the UK Chambers, in which he is described as "tremendously popular with clients" and has "exceptional in-depth knowledge of the insurance market." Additionally, he is regarded as a "quick-minded lawyer" by clients in the 2010 edition of UK Legal 500. He also regularly contributes to industry publications and conferences.

Noteworthy

- Leading Individual : Insurance: Contentious Claims and Reinsurance - Chambers UK (2012 edition)
- UK Legal Experts: Insurance (2011 edition)

Select Seminars & Events

Global Reinsurance's Monte Carlo Roundtable - The Value Proposition: Renewals and Addressing Policyholders' Perceptions of the Benefits of Insurance, September 2011

What Cedants Want: The Secrets of Relationships that Last for Better or Worse, September 2010

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Falconbury's Reinsurance Contract Wordings and Disputes Conference,
London, May 2009

Falconbury's Reinsurance Contract Wordings and Disputes Conference,
London, October 2008

Buying Strategies Roundtable, Trends for 2009, September 2008

Selected Publications

Reinsurance Update
August 2011

Reinsurance Update
June 9, 2011

Reinsurance Update
April 18, 2011

American Patchwork
March 2011, *Insider Quarterly*

Reinsurance Update
March 2011

Reinsurance Update
January 2011

Reinsurance Update
November 2010

Reinsurance Update
September 2010

Professional Affiliations

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