Expertise

Regulatory



As specialists in financial services, we work every day with the regulatory regimes in the BVI, Cayman Islands, Guernsey and Jersey, advising clients on governance, compliance and how best to deal with their regulators.

At Bedell Cristin, we advise on the full range of regulatory issues, with specialists experienced in the regulatory regimes for investment funds, corporate structures and private wealth.

We support clients on matters relating to economic substance requirements, AML/CFT/CPF, sanctions, beneficial ownership registers, CRS, FATCA, SARs, competition law, TIEAs (including in relation to requests for information), data protection requirements, licence applications (including in relation to applications for change of ownership and control) and pre and post transaction reviews.

With partners in Europe, the US, Asia and the Caribbean – and with teams in our "home jurisdictions" who are tuned in to local market dynamics – we offer the necessary insight, experience and technical knowledge to support onshore counsel and other advisers on the relevant cross jurisdictional regulatory issues and procedures.

Where regulatory matters escalate to potential or actual disputes, our Litigation, Insolvency and Dispute Resolution teams have full rights of audience in our jurisdictions, and in-depth experience of acting for clients in complex disputes over regulatory issues.

We work with GCs, directors, asset managers, trustees, beneficiaries, corporates, onshore counsel and other professional services providers on matters ranging from simple advisory queries to complicated and long-lasting regulatory disputes and on investigations, dawn raids, remediation, freezing orders, sanctions, legal privilege and court actions.

Our practitioners are regularly ranked in leading independent legal directories.

> *Always provide a commercial answer as well as a legal answer and are responsive.*
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> LEGAL 500

> *The Bedell Cristin team are always very responsive and pragmatic. I've always been very impressed with them.*
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> CHAMBERS & PARTNERS



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Case studies

- We advised on the establishment of a family office, including on family governance matters, working with a leading DIFC Barrister to ensure alignment with a UAE structure
- We advised Digital UK Limited on a detailed competition law analysis and merger consent in relation to its acquisition of Freesat from BBC and ITV
- We advised a national association of financial institutions in relation to legislative reform and on recommended draft amendments to the legislation
- We advised an international provider of trust and corporate services on the evolving scope of the AML regime of one of the jurisdictions in which we operate
- We advised a HNWI over access to funds, which has been impeded by AML reporting activity, working with onshore counsel in New York – this is an area in which we have significant experience
- We advised – with onshore and offshore counsel – on the recovery of assets of an individual made subject to an unexplained wealth order in the UK
- We advised a global provider of IT infrastructure services on legislation relating to international data transfers
- We advised a Guernsey insurer on the legal and regulatory aspects of its delisting from the London Stock Exchange
- We advised on the regulatory aspects of an aborted billion-dollar MBO of a leading global financial services provider
- We advised a regulated trust company on a range of complex regulatory matters including AML and international sanctions

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