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OVERVIEW

Amita is a dedicated litigator and commercial chancery barrister, focusing on dispute resolution, domestic/cross-border insolvency, and general commercial work. She regularly represents a diverse range of clients (onshore and offshore), including insolvency professionals, companies, trustees, directors, asset-based lenders, and banks. Amita provides comprehensive legal support on issues such as insolvency, cross-border issues, company law, fraud title disputes, misrepresentation, and professional negligence. Her experience extends to advising on insolvency procedures, antecedent transactions, and directors' disqualifications.

Clients turn to Amita for her strategic and diligent approach to complex insolvency matters, and banking and finance litigation. She has experience in navigating both domestic and cross-border asset tracing, disputes arising from insolvent mutual and private equity funds, asset, and security recovery in foreign jurisdictions (including BVI, Cayman, and the U.S.), and international fraud and financial crime cases.

Amita's practical experience is bolstered by her previous offshore practice in Jersey (Channel Islands) and before that at a large global law firm headquartered in the US. Additionally, she has experience in complex and high-value commercial, insolvency, and trust litigation, both onshore and offshore. Amita's active involvement in the global field of insolvency includes committee roles at INSOL and IWIRC, which underscore her dedication to the field of insolvency.

REPRESENTATIVE MATTERS

- Acting for the joint liquidators of JJW Limited (registered in Guernsey, in liquidation) in an appeal arising out of the long-running BVI liquidation of MBI International & Partners. The Court of Appeal set aside the High Court's order that equitable compensation of c.€67m be paid to the BVI liquidators by JJW Limited (and another appellant on a joint and several basis) and confirmed that a director remains subject to continuing fiduciary duties post liquidation (when transferring assets owned by that company) on the basis that the director is an "intermeddler." The Court of Appeal's decision bears wider significance as it was based on English authorities, though it concerned a BVI company (*Mitchell v. Al Jaber* [2024] EWCA Civ 423, [2024] BCC 934).
- Acting for two partners in a renewable energy investment company in English court proceedings against two former partners for breaches of partnership and fiduciary duties. The sum of the claim is approximately £18m (CR-2023-000958: *Peter Glenn and Jonathan Slater v. Adam Walker, Jeremy Dyer and Fifty Asset Management Limited*).

- Acting for a Ukrainian individual in English proceedings against Cyprus entities in a claim of approximately £1.1m relating to non-payment under a loan agreement (LM-2024-000194 – *Pavlo Lavryk v. (1) Greatford Limited (2) ABH Ukraine Limited*).

AWARDS

- International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation, Finalist, Rising Star (2024 and 2025)
- Women and Diversity in Law Summit and Awards, Shortlisted, Rising Star (2024)

TOP AREAS OF FOCUS

- Financial Services Litigation
- Insolvency Litigation
- International

ALL AREAS OF FOCUS

- Bankruptcy + Restructuring
- Financial Services Litigation
- Insolvency Litigation
- International
- Litigation + Trial

PROFESSIONAL/COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Member, International Association of Restructuring, Insolvency and Bankruptcy Professionals (INSOL)
- Member, International Women's Insolvency and Restructuring Confederation (IWIRC)
- Steering Committee member, IWIRC Europe
- Volunteer, Royal Courts of Justice Citizens Advice & Law Centre
- Technical co-chair, INSOL Channel Islands (Guernsey) Seminar (2024)
- Firm Pro Bono attorney

EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATIONS

EDUCATION

- The University of Law, Birmingham, The Bar Professional Training Course, 2013
- The University of Warwick and Warwick Business School, B.A. (Hons), 2012

BAR ADMISSIONS

- England and Wales

LANGUAGES

- Hindi

- Gujarati

SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

- Speaker, “Fraud & Fromage: A Criminally Good Tasting Experience,” INSOL International Channel Islands Seminar, September 10, 2025.
- Speaker, “A Review of Where We Are on Director’s Liabilities,” FIRE Channel Islands & Isle of Man, June 18, 2025.
- Panelist, “The Lifecycle of an Insolvency,” Thought Leaders 4 FIRE Summer School, Downing College, Cambridge University, August 28-30, 2024.
- Panelist, “Lux Restructuring – The “New Toolkit” in Insolvency,” IWIRC, June 20, 2024.
- Speaker, “Practicalities of Disclosure and E-Discovery,” August 23-25, 2023.

PUBLICATIONS

- Co-author, “Gamesmanship and Weaponizing the Automatic Stay—A Cautionary Tale for Debtors,” *The Legal Intelligencer*, August 1, 2025.
- Author, “Fireside Chat,” FIRE Magazine, September 2024.
- Author, “Pecking Order,” *India Business Law Journal*, January 15, 2020.