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Areas of expertise

Family Office >

Legal >

Private Wealth >

Trusts Advisory Group >

Background and experience

Matt is frequently engaged by clients to design and implement bespoke cross border structures, to restructure existing trusts and to advise trustees in relation to complex matters and disputes. Matt also advises clients in relation to their international reporting requirements, economic substance and automatic exchange of information between jurisdictions.

Prior to joining Ogier, Matt was the head of another international law firm's trust and private client team and their managing partner in Guernsey.

Matt is a member of the International Academy of Trust and Estate Practitioners and a member of STEP. Matt is the co-author of "Guernsey Trust Law" the only book dealing exclusively with trust and foundations under Guernsey law, which was published by Hart in 2020.

Admitted in:

2008 – England and Wales (Solicitor) (non-practising)

2014 – Guernsey

News and insights

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Spotlight on 17 experts by Private Client Global Elite illustrates Ogier's breadth of expertise

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Matt Guthrie named Channel Islands Lawyer of the Year at Citywealth IFC Awards 2024

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Guernsey foundations update

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Guernsey foundations and private trust foundations

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Migration of an overseas foundation into Guernsey

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10 November 2023 | 5 min read

Reserving powers under Guernsey Trusts Law

Catherine Moore
Team: Matt Guthrie, Samuel Clarke

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20 October 2023 | 2 min read

Ogier's "go-to" team in Guernsey sees increased rankings in Chambers UK 2024

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5 October 2023 | 2 min read

Ogier in Guernsey recognised as market leaders in Legal 500 UK 2024 guide

4 October 2023 | 4 min read

Conversations with the next gen: private wealth - the changing face of the next generation

Insight

Recognition

"Matthew has outstanding technical ability whilst maintaining a commercial view and pragmatic approach. He is able to cut through to the heart of any issue quickly and efficiently, and nothing is too much trouble"

Chambers High Net Worth, 2023

"Continues to be a crucial advisor for our Guernsey needs"

Legal 500 UK, 2023

"Matt is astute and client-oriented, whilst remaining grounded and practical, delivering and collaborating well on high-value, complex issues in a straightforward way. He is a joy to work with"

Chambers High Net Worth, 2023

"Matthew is excellent and regarded as a leading technical lawyer on the island"

Chambers High Net Worth, 2023

"Matthew Guthrie is a stand out trust lawyer and one of the best Guernsey practitioners in this area. The quality of his advice is extremely high and he has a very reassuring and calm manner. His is widely admired, even by his competitors"

Legal 500 UK, 2023

"Matt Guthrie and his team are a delight to work with. They're the go to team for complex and high value private client matters"

Legal 500 UK, 2023

"Matt Guthrie is commercial and available. He knows his stuff and understands our objectives well enough to help us find a solution to issues which arise. He is

excellent to work with on client trust structuring for bespoke structures and we strongly value the collaboration with him and the value he adds. He doesn't complicate things unnecessarily"

Legal 500 UK, 2023

"Ogier as a firm allow Matt to provide exceptional service. Ogier help increase Matt's knowledge and experience base in order to provide great solutions. It is clear that Ogier support Matt in the work that he does which is very reassuring"

Legal 500 UK, 2023

"Leading Individual"

Legal 500 UK, 2023

"If you have something complex in the private wealth domain in Guernsey, he is the first person on the list to call"

Chambers High Net Worth Guide, 2022

"Matthew is our go-to man for technical matters; he can see through complexity to find a practical way forward"

Chambers High Net Worth Guide, 2022

"Guthrie is both technical and commercial in the advice he gives"

Chambers High Net Worth Guide, 2022

"Top of the class"

Chambers High Net Worth Guide, 2022

"A real star. He understands what we are trying to achieve and what we need in order to get there. He is my go-to lawyer to brainstorm, create and draft bespoke trust solutions for clients who need something special in their international estate planning"

Chambers UK, 2022

"Matthew Guthrie is currently the best non-contentious trust lawyer working in Guernsey"

Legal 500 UK, 2020