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Areas of expertise

Economic Substance

Legal

Regulatory

Background and experience

Martin is a regulatory specialist with extensive experience advising on a wide range of matters including licensing, registration and approval requirements, reporting and information exchange obligations (including those deriving from FATCA, the Common Reporting Standard and CbCR), economic substance, beneficial ownership transparency, data protection, sanctions, on-site compliance inspections, administrative fines and other regulatory enforcement actions and matters relating to anti-money laundering, counter proliferation financing and combatting the financing of terrorism.

Martin joined Ogier in 2021 from the regulatory practice of another leading offshore law firm. Prior to this, having trained and qualified as a UK solicitor at Slaughter and May and worked in the leveraged finance practices of two leading US law firms in London, Martin worked as a lawyer in the General Counsel's Division of the UK Financial Conduct Authority.

Before qualifying as a lawyer, Martin worked as an analyst in the derivatives and structured finance group at Goldman Sachs. He holds a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Law and Sociology from the University of Warwick, a Master of Laws (LLM) from the University of London and a Master of Studies (MSt) from the University of Cambridge.

Memberships:

Member of the Executive Committee and Co-Chair of the Education and Research Committee of the Alternative Investment Management Association (AIMA) in the Cayman Islands

Admitted in:

2019 - Cayman Islands

2019 - British Virgin Islands

2015 - England and Wales (non-practising)

News and insights

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8 November 2024 | 3 min read

Ogier in Cayman Islands recognised as a leading firm in... Legal 500 Caribbean 2025 rankings

News

27 September 2024 | 1 min read

ケイマン諸島における強化された実質的支配者透明化制度が施行

Martin Byers

Team: Megan Mcluskie, Joanne Huckle, James Bergstrom, Tim Cone, Bradley Kruger, Nick Rogers, and 7 more

Cayman Islands, Hong Kong

Insight

5 August 2024 | 4 min read

Enhanced Cayman Islands beneficial ownership... transparency regime now in force

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Team: Megan Mcluskie, Joanne Huckle, James Bergstrom, Tim Cone, Bradley Kruger, Nick Rogers, and 7 more

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Insight

16 April 2024 | 1 min read

Martin Byers and Chris Wall promoted to partner in Cayman Islands

News

16 February 2024 | 2 min read

Praise for Ogier's "client-centric" Cayman team in... Chambers Global 2024

News

8 February 2024 | 3 min read

Pending changes to the Cayman Islands Beneficial Ownership Transparency Regime

Joanne Huckle

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Insight

19 January 2024 | 1 min read

Cayman Islands removed from EU AML List

James Bergstrom

Team: Tim Cone, Angus Davison, James Heinicke, Joanne Huckle, Bradley Kruger, Nick Rogers, and 12 more

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News

9 November 2023 | 2 min read

Ogier's Cayman team noted for its depth of expertise in latest... Legal 500 Caribbean rankings

News

31 October 2023 | 12 min read

The Islamic Finance and Markets Review - the Cayman Islands

Anthony Oakes

Team: Richard Bennett, Martin Byers, Dominic Athwal, Marcus Hallan

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Recognition

"Martin Byers is fantastic to work with. He is smart, intelligent and empathetic. He understands how to deal with clients under stress and is great at reassuring them with knowledge and expertise"

Legal 500 Caribbean, 2025

"Martin Byers: knowledge and clear legal advice"

Legal 500 Caribbean, 2025

"Martin Byers is a consummate professional who brings knowledge and expertise to the difficult arena of regulatory law."

Chambers Global, 2024

"Top individual that I have worked with there is Martin Byers - without question one of the best on the island"

Legal 500 Caribbean, 2024

"Key Lawyer"

Legal 500 Caribbean, 2023

"Key Lawyer"

Legal 500 Caribbean, 2022