

*We don't believe in law as usual  
For us, law is inspiring...*

## *Our story*

A number of years ago, we decided that we could change the way legal services are delivered. That we could do them better. At gunnercooke, we believe the potential of our clients and our people rests with our ability to free the law and make it work as it should. Today, we attract passionate lawyers and advise with authority: every gunnercooke lawyer has a minimum 10,000 hours practising experience.

Flexibility, transparency and freedom guide everything we do. Flexibility for our people to work how they want. Transparency of cost for our clients because we removed time recordings and billable hours. Freedom for our people and clients to achieve their personal and professional aspirations.

We work with clients that believe tradition is there to be tested, not obeyed. Working together, we help them seek opportunities and push the boundaries of what's possible.

Providing a suite of corporate and commercial legal services, gunnercooke is one of the UK's fastest-growing challenger brands. Proud of what we have achieved, committed to doing more.



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### **Overview**

#### **What he's best at**

Advising trustees and employers on managing and mitigating pension risk. Martin has been a pension lawyer for 25 years with wide experience of providing advice to trustees and employers of household name companies. He has worked for some of the largest pension schemes on some of the most complex and innovative areas, particularly in the de-risking and investment fields. He has deep experience in investment management/custody agreements for trustees, including advice on LDI mandates and all forms of pooled investment funds. He also has a wide advisory practice

covering scheme documentation, mergers, contingent assets, disputes and advising trustees whose sponsor is financially distressed. He has also advised on over 600 corporate transactions.

#### **Who he works for**

- Trustees of occupational pension plans.
- Corporate sponsors of occupational pension plans
- Independent trustees
- Other law firms

#### **Testimonials**

- "Commercial and personable" (Legal 500)
- "Practical pension lawyer" (Chambers)

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#### **Experience highlights**

- Advice to PD Teesport Pension Scheme and a listed leisure company on closure to accrual
- Acting on IMAS, fiduciary management, transition management and LDI mandates for several very large pensions schemes in the energy sector
- Advice to MAPS trustees and Fleet Maritime on two reported cases involving the PPF and the pensions regulator
- Providing legal advice to Inabata and trustees of a major retailer on the pension aspects of insolvency
- Advised Equant trustees and a FTSE 100 company on managing employer debt

#### **Publications**

He has contributed chapters to *The Acquisition of Private Companies*, *The Law of Pension Schemes and Pensions-The New Regime*.

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