James Gleave

In 1997, James established North West practice which has grown substantially to become one of the leading corporate recovery practices in the area.

Major Experiences

James has specialised in corporate recovery since 1981. He joined the newly established corporate recovery unit of a large international accountancy firm, became partner at the firm, and headed the practice from 1990 to 1997. During this period his team administered large receiverships, notably that of Leyland DAF Limited and Ferranti International Plc. Since then he has been the appointee on a number of the larger assignments obtained by the firm including, most notably, Federal Mogul / T&N where he is the lead Partner. T&N was historically the UK's largest asbestos manufacturer and it's failure was primarily a result of exposure to substantial asbestos litigation both in the UK and USA.

As a result of his involvement on T&N James was appointed a Trustee of the T&N Asbestos Trust. This Trust was established as a consequence of the restructuring of T&N. The Trust has funds in excess of £100m and will provide a measure of compensation to T&N asbestos claimants both currently and in the future.

James' experience spans a wide range of industries, including manufacturing, property, retail, leisure, financial services and the health care sector. He has been heavily involved in trans Atlantic assignments and has considerable understanding of the US Chapter 11 process.

Between 2001 and 2004 James served as Chairman of the northwest region of R3. He also acts as an expert witness on insolvency issues and is a regular speaker on insolvency and asbestos issues at professional conferences.

James's expertise covers:

- Manufacturing
- Property
- Retail
- Leisure
- Financial Services
- Healthcare

Clients include:

- Banks
- International Lawyers
- UK Lawyers



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