

# Transcontinental Trusts Bermuda 2024

19-21 June 2024

Hamilton Princess Hotel & Beach Club, Bermuda

## Pre-Conference Networking – 19 June

7.00pm *Welcome BBQ at the Regency Terrace, Hamilton Princess Hotel – hosted by Bermuda’s Business Development Agency (BDA)*

7.15pm **Welcome from the Bermuda Government**

The Hon. Jason Hayward, JP – MP, Minister for Economy & Labour, **Government of Bermuda**

## Day 1 – 20 June

8.00am *Registration & Pre-Conference Refreshments*

8.30am **Breakfast Briefing – An overview of family wealth structures: trusts and alternatives**

- *What structures are families and family offices using for holding private wealth?*
- *E.g. family funds, trusts*
- *Implications of non-doms changes on choice of structures*

Arturo Giacosa – Partner, **RSM US**

Gary Heynes – Partner, **RSM UK**

9.15am **Chairs’ Opening Remarks**

Jonathan Conder – Partner, **Stephenson Harwood**

Basil Zirinis – Partner, **Sullivan & Cromwell**

9.30am **Keynote: Are bad geopolitical times good times for offshore?**

Professor Jason Sharman – Political Scientist, **University of Cambridge**

10.15am **The increasing importance of the Middle East as a financial centre**

- *New generation of wealth*
- *Movement of new money into Dubai*
- *Qatar and KSA*
- *Sharia issues*
- *Political aspects to consider*

Marianne Kafena – Partner, **Mishcon de Reya**

Andrew de la Rosa – Independent Counsel, **ICT Chambers**

Piers Master – Partner, **Charles Russell Speechlys**

11.00am *Morning Coffee Break*

11.30am **International trust litigation roundup**

- *Overview of recent international litigation concerning trusts*

*Moderator:* Keith Robinson – Partner, **Carey Olsen**  
Robert Ham KC – Barrister, **Wilberforce Chambers**  
Elsbeth Talbot-Rice KC – Barrister, **XXIV Old Buildings**  
James Price – Partner, **Stewarts**

12.30pm *Lunch*

1.30pm **Workshops**

| Stream A   | Stream B  |
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| <p><b>Special assets deep dive</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Superyachts, planes, cannabis etc.</i></li> <li>• <i>Exploring the growing use of ‘passion’ assets in HNWIs’ investment portfolios</i></li> </ul> <p>Amanda Applegate – Partner, <b>Soar Aviation Law</b></p> | <p><b>Pre-election planning for Americas (USA, Canada)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Making predictions on the tax implications of a potential change in government</i></li> <li>• <i>How to plan for uncertain scenarios</i></li> </ul> <p>Stanley Barg – Partner, <b>Kozusko Harris Duncan</b><br/>Margaret O’Sullivan – Managing Partner, <b>O’Sullivan Estate Lawyers</b></p> |

2.15pm **Workshops**

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| <p><b>Digital assets &amp; trusts – examining the issues and new case law</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Issues for trustees and practitioners in holding digital assets in trust</i></li> <li>• <i>A look at digital assets and cryptocurrencies held in trust</i></li> <li>• <i>New case law in Bermuda (unpublished ruling)</i></li> </ul> <p>Claire Van Overdijk KC – Senior Counsel, <b>Carey Olsen</b><br/>Alex Tamosius – Senior Associate, <b>Forsters</b></p> | <p><b>Pre-election planning for Europe (UK and EU)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Making predictions and how to plan for change</i></li> <li>• <i>Impact on non-doms regime &amp; trusts</i></li> </ul> <p>Georgina James – Partner, <b>Farrer &amp; Co</b><br/>Alberto Brazzalotto – Partner, <b>Maisto e Associati</b></p> |

3.00pm *Afternoon Refreshments*

3.30pm **Major pending litigation: detailed focus**

- *Deep-dive into the latest hot case*

*Moderator:* Ben Adamson – Director, **Conyers**  
Shân Warnock-Smith KC – Barrister, **ICT Chambers**  
David Brownbill KC – Barrister, **XXIV Old Buildings**  
Jonathan Arr – Partner, **Macfarlanes**

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- 4.15pm **Debate: suitability of trusts vs. foundations**
- *Comparing their advantages and disadvantages*

Beatrice Puoti – Partner, **Stephenson Harwood**  
Thomas Nigg – Senior Partner, **Gasser Partner**

- 5.00pm **Chairs' Closing Remarks & End of Day 1**

Jonathan Conder – Partner, **Stephenson Harwood**  
Basil Zirinis – Partner, **Sullivan & Cromwell**

- 7.00pm *Beach Party at The Loren at Pink Beach*

## Day 2 – 21 June

8.30am *Morning Refreshments*

9.00am **Chairs' Opening Remarks**

Fozeia Rana-Fahy – Director, **MJM**  
Gina M. Pereira – Founder, **Dana Stewardship Advisory**

9.10am **A LatAm focus**

- *Political and planning update*

*Moderator:* Florentino Carreño – Partner, **Cuatrecasas**  
Eduardo Valenzuela – Partner, **Chevez Ruiz Zamarripa**  
Carola Trucco – Partner, **Barros & Errázuriz**  
Alessandro Amadeu da Fonseca – Partner, **Mattos Filho**

9.55am **Impact of matrimonial regimes on planning**

- *Review of matrimonial regimes and implications*
- *A look at recent cases*

*Moderator:* Joshua Rubenstein – Partner, **Katten Muchin Rosenman**  
Jeannette Yazedjian – Head of Wealth Planning North America, **Sequent**  
Sam Longworth – Partner, **Stewarts**

10.40am *Morning Coffee Break*

11.10am **How tech & AI may change the way we work**

- *What the future might look like*
- *A look at the current state of play*
- *How Bermuda businesses are embracing change*

*Moderator:* Fozeia Rana-Fahy – Director, **MJM**  
Caroline O'Brien – Chief Data Officer & Head of Product, **Afiniti**

11.45am **Review of global beneficial ownership registers**

- *US, UK, offshore, continent comparison*

Filippo Nosedà – Partner, **Mishcon de Reya**  
David Wallace Wilson – Partner, **Schellenberg Wittmer**

12.30pm *Lunch*

2.00pm **Workshops**

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| <p><b>Jurisdictional Update</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developments in Switzerland, Cayman Islands, Bahamas etc.</li> </ul> <p>Daniel Leu – Partner, <b>Bär &amp; Karrer</b><br/>Wendy Warren – Managing Director, <b>Caystone</b></p> <p><b>Solutions</b></p> <p>Nicola Bruce – Partner, <b>Appleby</b></p> | <p><b>Growing use of insurance in tax and succession planning</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Offshore wrappers</li> <li>D&amp;O</li> <li>Universal life</li> <li>UK budget changes</li> </ul> <p>David Gregory – Partner, <b>1291 Group</b><br/>Merrilyn Johnson – Co-Founder &amp; COO, <b>Triangle Life</b></p> |

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| <p><b>Setting up a family business: Bermuda vs Singapore</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jurisdictional comparison</li> <li>Approaching BMA</li> </ul> <p>Nick Jacob – Partner, <b>Forsters</b><br/>Randall Krebs – Director, <b>Harbour Trust Company</b></p> | <p><b>Global minimum tax: where are we?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Impact on private clients</li> </ul> <p>Edward Rance – Director, <b>Conyers</b><br/>John Riches – Founder, <b>RMW Law (Digital)</b></p> |

3.30pm *Afternoon Refreshments*

4.00pm **'TED talk' general interest sessions**

- Series of short presentations on general interest topics

**Be the smARTest advisor to smART money** - Rebecca Fine – CEO, **Athena Art Finance**

- Covering recent groundbreaking events in the worlds of art finance and art investing
- Sotheby's Financial Service's recent securitization as a watershed moment in art's financialization – demonstrating the increase in the financing of art (30%+ allocation of portfolio to fine art)
- Converting trapped equity to cash and redeploying, without selling artwork
- Leveraging art to fund lifestyle or diversify financial portfolio

**Bacardi: Becoming the World's Leading Premium Spirits House** – Krystina Robinson – Global Brand Director (Grey Goose), **Bacardi International**

- History of Bacardi and an overview of the premiumization journey

4.45pm **Chairs' Closing Remarks & Close of Conference**

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5.00pm *Farewell Drinks Reception*