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Harriet is an associate in the litigation department in Cooley's London office and is part of the commercial litigation and international product compliance & litigation teams.

Harriet's experience spans civil litigation, regulatory investigations, and disputes arising out of product compliance issues across a range of industries, with a focus on consumer products and life sciences. Harriet also has experience working on large-scale investigations for clients in circumstances where there is a significant threat to the business or reputation of the client – and where it is necessary to engage with multiple stakeholders.

Harriet also advises on a range of pro bono matters.

Harriet's key representative matters include:

- Defending a large product compliance dispute involving multiple claimants and defendants, and in connection, engaging in an extensive alternative dispute resolution process
- Ongoing representation of a consumer products manufacturer at a Public Inquiry launched in August 2017
- Advising a senior executive on disclosures requested by the Financial Conduct Authority
- Advising on and negotiating a pre-action settlement for a dispute relating to product deliverables between two life sciences companies
- Coordinating multi-jurisdictional corrective actions
- Working on a highly confidential, large-scale internal investigation and disciplinary process following the discovery of potentially fraudulent adjustments being made to regulatory documents
- Working on a large internal investigation on behalf of a client, which involved regulatory reporting, dealing
 with threatened litigation, and assisting on the internal and external communications strategy
- Providing strategic advice to consumer products manufacturers in relation to consumer claims
- Acting in proceedings in the Technology and Construction Court and in mediation concerning the design, construction, operation and/or repair of industrial assets, sites and technology
- Advising a charity on its engagement with the Charity Commission for England and Wales to satisfy the regulator's enquiries in respect of the charity's activity
- Representing a client in the successful resolution of a dispute over the termination of a software development and implementation agreement, with responsibilities that included working on a large-scale electronic disclosure process

- Assisting on an urgent application for adjournment to the Commercial Court, followed by preparing for and advising the client during a two-week trial to defend against an application for disclosure of financial information
- Representing a major online retailer in responding to third-party information requests from the Competition and Markets Authority as part of a Phase II merger investigation

Prior to joining Cooley, Harriet worked on a regulatory investigation project in the litigation and dispute resolution department of another top-tier London firm.

Harriet also spent two years working in-house – firstly at Pentland Brands, and subsequently at the deVere Group where she assisted with the group's strategic disposal of its core divisions.

Recent publications

- Co-author of "<u>Two EU Laws Could Supercharge Product Liability Class Actions</u>" Law360, April 2023
- Co-author of "Contractual Dispute Resolution Procedure as a Condition Precedent: Clarity is Key" –
 On the Record, March 2023
- Co-author of "MUR Shipping U-Turn: non-contractual performance would have overcome a force majeure event" – On the Record, November 2022
- Co-author of "Dispute Resolution no Longer Alternative" On the Record, September 2022
- Co-author of "Productwise Bitesize: Low Voltage Directive" Productwise, August 2022

Education

Kaplan Law School LPC, 2012

University of Southampton LLB, honours, 2010

Admissions & Credentials

England and Wales

Solicitor advocate

Memberships & Affiliations

Commercial Litigators Forum

Young Fraud Lawyers Association