



## Merrick Ricardo Watson, MCI Arb

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Merrick Watson, MCI Arb focuses his practice on civil disputes, insolvency litigation and international judgment enforcement. He advises clients on matters that involve both onshore and offshore jurisdictions, including civil fraud cases, asset recovery and debtor-creditor disputes.

Prior to joining Kobre & Kim, Mr. Watson practiced at Martin Kenney & Co. Solicitors, where he worked on complex commercial litigation and cross-border insolvency matters.

Earlier in his career, Mr. Watson served as a judicial assistant for High Court Judge His Lordship Justice Ephraim Georges and as Legal Intern at the Eastern Caribbean Court of Appeal headquartered in Saint Lucia.

### **Admissions**

- Legal Practitioner, British Virgin Islands
- Attorney, Anguilla
- Attorney, Antigua and Barbuda
- Attorney, Barbados
- Attorney, Belize
- Attorney, Grenada
- Attorney, Guyana
- Barrister, St. Christopher and Nevis
- Barrister, St. Vincent and The Grenadines
- Barrister, High Court of the Commonwealth of Dominica
- Attorney, High Court of Justice – State of Saint Lucia
- Attorney, Supreme Court of Judicature of Jamaica
- Attorney, Trinidad and Tobago
- Attorney, Montserrat

### **Education**

- Norman Manley Law School, Legal Education Certificate
- The University of the West Indies, LLB
- The University of the West Indies, MSc
- The University of the West Indies, BSc

### **Languages**

# KOBRE & KIM

- Jamaican Patois
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## **Professional & Community Involvement**

- Associate Member of the Chartered Institute of Arbitration
- Recovery and Insolvency Specialist Association, Member
- INSOL International, Member
- BVI Bar Association Council, First Vice President (elected in 2025)
- BVI Bar Association Council, Second Vice President (elected in 2024)
- BVI Bar Association Council, Treasurer (2018-2019)
- BVI Bar Association Council, Treasurer (2017-2018)
- BVI Bar Association, Member

## **Publications & Presentations**

- Author, "From Everet v. Williams to Moore Stephens v. Stone Rolls and Beyond: Rethinking ex turpi causa in an Era of Modern Commercial Fraud: a View from the Caribbean" (*The West Indian Law Journal*, Volume 41 (1 &2), 2022)
- Co-Author, "British Virgin Islands" (*The Asset Tracing and Recovery Review 8th Edition*, 2021)
- Co-author, "BVI court issues 'groundbreaking' committal order against extraterritorial debtor" (*Global Restructuring Review*, March 2021)
- Co-Author, "British Virgin Islands" (*The Asset Tracing and Recovery Review 7th Edition*, 2020)
- Author, "Relief from Sanction, Extension of Time and the Reception of English Law in the OECS: Is the Law in a State of Flux?" (*The West Indian Law Journal*, Volume 38 (1 &2), October 2013)