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# **Cross-Border Private Client and Trusts Series**

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Webinar 1 - Programme

On-demand: Live from 25th May 2021

Title:

Trustee decision-making in light of Grand View v Wong

Speakers - Serle Court John Machell QC Jennifer Haywood

Speakers - Maples Group Ray Davern Alex Way

Duration: 1 hour

# **Topics will include:**

- Substratum and proper purpose
- A modern approach to dispositive decisionmaking
- The impact of *Braganza on fiduciary* decision making
- Practical tips for trustees
- Recent Public Trustee v Cooper blessing decisions











# **Biographies**



## John Machell QC

Johnwascalledin 1993 and appointed QC in 2012. His practices pans the Chancery and commercial fields, with an emphasis on partnership, LLP, trusts and fraud work, particularly with an international dimension. John is regarded as one of the leading partnership and LLP silks and has experience of a wide range of both contentious and non-contentious matters across the whole range of business sectors. John also undertakes a substantial amount of largely offshore trust work and has appeared in a number of cases in Cayman, BVI and Bermuda in the last few years.

#### **Jennifer Haywood**



Jennifer has a broad commercial chancery practice. She is recommended by the legal directories as one of the leading juniors in partnership/LLP work but she also practises in the fields of company law, contentious trusts and probate and fraud, and she enjoys being able to cross apply principles between these different areas. Jennifer is also a qualified mediator (CEDR) and arbitrator (CIArb). The directories say that she "combines high-level strategic advice and lateral thinking with an attention to detail that is unsurpassed."



### **Ray Davern**

Ray is head of the Trusts & Private Client team at the Maples Group's Londonbased law firm. His expertise includes contentious and non- contentious international trusts and private client work. Ray started with the Maples Group in 2016. Prior to that, he was head of the private client and trusts BVI and Cayman practices for an offshore law firm. Ray previously lectured at King's College London, specialising in the law of trusts, and practised as a Chancery barrister at the London Bar. Ray has been recognised in Legal 500 and ranked within the top 20 in private wealth management by Citywealth. He has also been ranked in the Chambers and Partners High Net Worth guide. In February 2020, Ray was elected a member of the prestigious International Academy of Estate and Trust Law.



#### Alex Way

Alex is Of Counsel in the Trusts & Private Client team at the Maples Group's London-based law firm. Alex advises institutional trustees and private individuals on all areas of trust law and related private wealth issues. He acts for trustees and settlors on the establishment and administration of private and charitable trusts and the establishment of private trust companies. He also acts in respect of estate planning. Alex joined the Maples Group in 2013. He previously worked at Taylor Wessing LLP and trained at Forsters LLP.