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### EXPERTISE

- Financial services law & regulation
- Business restructuring & insolvency
- Commercial litigation
- Mergers & acquisitions
- Corporate governance

A former Attorney-General of The Bahamas and one of Her Majesty's Queens Counsel, John's areas of practice concentration are financial services law and regulation, corporate governance, business restructuring & insolvency, and commercial litigation.

He has also been advisor in several major acquisitions and mergers within The Bahamas, and also in acquisitions by or mergers with regional entities.

Highly valued by industry to navigate complexities and pitfalls to achieve strategic business objectives, John has held a range of non-executive directorships of financial institutions and has served as member and chair of audit committees. He currently serves as a non-executive director and audit committee member of RBC Financial (Caribbean) Limited, the regional parent of the Royal Bank of Canada's interests in the jurisdictions comprising the Caribbean region. John has a history of national contribution and previously served on the Road Traffic Authority, National Insurance Board, Bahamas Financial Services Board, and has chaired The Bahamas Trade Commission.

### PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

In May 2012, John completed a stint (2009-2012) of public service as Attorney-General and Minister of Legal Affairs, with portfolio responsibility for liaising with, promoting and developing the financial services sector. As Attorney-General, John coordinated the most comprehensive legislative action in support of the country's financial services industry carried out in more than a decade. The reforms included the modernization of the laws relating to corporate insolvency, introduction of corporate governance requirements relating to accounting records, and the introduction of cutting-edge private wealth management legislation. Upon his return to the private sector in 2012, John founded the commercial law firm of Delaney Partners.

Prior to serving as Attorney-General, John led a major Bahamian law firm as its global managing partner. He was by then already widely recognised as leading counsel in his areas of practice and was so named in Chambers and Partners Legal Directory and IFLR 1000.

In November 2013, in recognition of outstanding contribution to the Financial Services Industry of The Bahamas, John was named Executive of the Year 2013 in the Industry's 13th Annual Excellence Awards.

John's practice engagements regularly include significant commercial, financial services related and business restructuring matters. He is currently assisting Switzerland's largest bank with the restructuring of its interests in The Bahamas serving as joint liquidator in the solvent voluntary liquidation of its Bahamian bank subsidiary. In his substantial cross-border insolvency practice, after heavily contested legal proceedings during late 2015, John won court approval for a European (Bahamian-resident) former billionaire to enter personal insolvency protection in The Bahamas. A member of INSOL International, under John's leadership the business restructuring and insolvency practice of the firm is consistently recognized for top awards by international business and legal publications.

### BAR ADMISSIONS

2009 Appointed Queen's Counsel

1987 Admitted a counsel and attorney of the Supreme Court of The Bahamas

1987 Admitted a Barrister of Lincoln's Inns, for England & Wales

### EDUCATION

LLB (Hons), University of Birmingham, England

LLM (Corporate & Commercial), LSE - University of London

### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Bahamas Bar Association

International Bar Association

INSOL International

Institute of Directors, London

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, London

Society of Trust and Estates Practitioners