Hon. Justice Mark Phillips KC



Mr Mark Phillips KC has been appointed as a Judge of the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands, assigned to the Financial Services Division (FSD), with effect from 2 November 2026.

The appointment was announced by Her Excellency the Governor, Jane Owen, following a recruitment exercise conducted by the Judicial and Legal Services Commission. Mr Phillips KC will fill the vacancy arising from the retirement of Justice Nicholas Segal.

Welcoming the appointment, The Chief Justice, Hon. Justice Margaret Ramsay-Hale, said:

"It will be a pleasure to have Mr Phillips KC join the team of judges in the Financial Services Division and the wider Cayman Islands Judiciary. His strong background in commercial law will be a valuable asset, and I look forward to working with him."

Mr Phillips KC brings extensive experience in insolvency, restructuring and commercial law. Called to the Bar in 1984, he joined South Square Chambers in London in 1986 and took silk in 1999. His practice has included major insolvency and restructuring matters and appearances before courts in several jurisdictions, including the United Kingdom, Cayman Islands, Hong Kong and the British Virgin Islands.

He is already well acquainted with the Cayman Islands courts, having first appeared before the Grand Court in 1999 and subsequently acted in a number of significant matters before the Court.

Commenting on his appointment, Mr Phillips KC said:

"I am looking forward to working with my fellow judges and with the professionals local and worldwide who have matters that will come before me. Cayman is a leading jurisdiction in the Restructuring and Insolvency world and I am excited to be joining the FSD."

Mr Phillips KC has held a number of positions within the insolvency profession. He served as President of the Insolvency Lawyers Association in 2002, is a Founder Member of the International Insolvency Institute and is a former council member of R3, the Association of Business Recovery Professionals.