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Tameka Davis is a Partner in the Litigation department of Conyers in the British Virgin Islands. Tameka was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 2003 and joined Conyers in 2009. After a brief stint at the International Bar Association, she joined private practice in Jamaica before moving offshore to Anguilla in 2005. She has over 11 years experience in offshore commercial litigation.

Tameka's practice includes international insolvency, bringing and defending unfair prejudice, breach of contract, conspiracy and asset tracing claims, obtaining and resisting interim relief including disclosure and urgent injunctive relief, and commencing and resisting forum convenien applications. She is particularly skilled at civil procedure and the enforcement of foreign judgments and arbitral awards in the BVI. Tameka appears in the Commercial Division of the High Court of the Virgin Islands and the Court of Appeal.

Tameka has advised many notable entities including, Bacardi International Limited, JSC Kazatomprom a state-owned uranium mining enterprise in Kazakhstan and since 2009, JSC BTA Bank, a Kazakhstan Bank. The latter specifically in relation to its ongoing efforts to recover billions of dollars misappropriated from it by its former chairman Mr Mukhtar Ablyazov. Tameka has also acted in a matter concerning a state-owned aluminum processing plant in Tajikistan and owners of a luxury resort in Anguilla. Tameka has advised and acted for BVI licensed insolvency practitioners, a California Court-Appointed trustee and high net worth individuals, amongst others.

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Experience

- Eastern Caribbean Court of Appeal dismisses appeal brought by Olive Group in a welcome underlining of limited basis on which Court can interfere in the appraisal mechanism and determination of minority discount when considering minority squeeze out provisions.
- Represented Bacardi International Limited in a case involving the ownership of shares in Caribbean Distillers Corporation the company which carries on the Patron Tequila business. Bacardi was successful in obtaining injunctive relief and challenging the appeal of same on procedural grounds. Bacardi was also successful in resisting attempts by the other side to dispute the jurisdiction of the Anguilla Court on forum conveniens grounds.
- Represented Pacific China Holdings Limited in successfully appealing the order of the Commercial Court wherein it was held that the court did not have the jurisdiction to order a petitioning creditor to bear the liability of the remuneration incurred by liquidators, where their appointment was subsequently set aside. This was a groundbreaking case since prior to this decision, there were no reported cases in the jurisdiction or abroad which dealt comprehensively with the question of liability for liquidator's remuneration in such circumstances.
- Represented JSC BTA Bank in claims for assistance injunctive relief and disclosure. In relation to disclosure in particular the Bank was successful in obtaining Norwich Pharmacal relief against registered agents. A jurisdiction which heretofore had been uncertain. The decision that a registered agent can be "mixed up" in the alleged wrongdoing so as to engage the Norwich Pharmacal jurisdiction has revolutionized the practice of obtaining such orders in the BVI against registered agents.
- Represented JSC BTA Bank during the enforcement stage of its claims. Successfully applied for and obtained the registration in the BVI of three English judgments with a total value of approximately US\$3 billion. Successfully resisted attempts to have the registration of those English Judgments set aside.
- Represented Talco Management Limited in a case involving an aluminum state-owned enterprise in Tajikistan and was successful in having the claim against it discontinued.
- Represent JSC Kazatomprom a Kazakh state-owned uranium mining company in a claim against its former president and various BVI companies for compensation in the amount of US\$540 million and/or the return of Kazatomprom's valuable mining interests which were misappropriated from him.

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issuance were being fraudulently misappropriated by Cyprus Defendants.

- Represented Winnington Global Holdings Ltd in an application for assistance injunctive relief in a dispute involving the Republic of Djibouti.

- Represented a BVI company in the successful common law enforcement in the BVI of a Russian Judgment debt in the sum of US\$40 million and successfully obtained an order permitting the appointment of receivers post-judgment over the shares in a BVI company.

Expertise

- [BVI Litigation & Restructuring](#)
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- [Restructuring & Insolvency](#)

Qualifications

Professional Background

- Webster Dyrud Mitchell, The Valley, Anguilla
- Garth E. Lyttle & Co., Attorneys-at-Law, Kingston, Jamaica
- The International Bar Association, London, England

Education

- University of London, LLM (specialising in Company and Commercial Law)
- Advanced Certificate in International Arbitration, 2013
- Norman Manley School of Law, Legal Education Certificate (LEC), 2005
- BPP School of Law, Bar Vocational Course (BVC), 2003
- Holborn College, LL.B (Hons), Award for Best Average, 2002
- Lincoln's Inn Sir Thomas More Scholarship, 2002
- University of the West Indies Faculty of Arts and Humanities Award for Outstanding Performance, 1999
- United World College, Academic Scholarship

Bar Admissions

- British Virgin Islands, Barrister, 2009
- Anguilla, Barrister and Solicitor-at-Law, 2005
- England & Wales, Barrister, 2003 (not currently practising)

Awards & Accolades

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Associations

- Member, Chartered Institute of Arbitrators

- Member, BVI Bar Association
- Member, Restructuring & Insolvency Specialists Association (BVI)
- Director, Women's Offshore Network (WON)

Publications

[State immunity and arbitration in the British Virgin Islands \(BVI\), LexisNexis PSL Arbitration Practice Notes](#)

[The Legal 500 Country Comparative Guide 2021 – British Virgin Islands – Litigation](#)

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What Happens in the Meantime: Interim Measures Under the BVI Arbitration Act, 2013, BVI Finance Newsletter, September 2014

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[Professional Directors Duties in BVI Companies, INSOL World, Fourth Quarter 2013](#)

[Registered Agents: More than Mere Onlookers, The Lawyer, April 2011](#)

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28 Apr 2021 - [BVI Litigation & Restructuring](#) | [Litigation & Restructuring](#),

[Recognition of a Foreign Official in BVI Case Law](#)

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Privy Council Issues Landmark Decision on Freezing Injunction Jurisdiction

Appeal

13 Sep 2021

Conyers secures costs for opposing creditors: TLG Atma Ltd (Applicant) v Atlas Mara Limited (Respondent)
BVIHC (COM) 0027 of 2021

Companies

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