



# CASE STUDY CONFISCATION

Bright Line Law offers legal expertise in the area of criminal proceeds freezing and confiscation or forfeiture under Part 2 or Part 5 of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002 (POCA). It can provide advisory and representation services on proceeds of crime matters for any individual whether they are in England & Wales or located abroad.

Recent work in the area of confiscation by Bright Line Law's barristers has included:

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## RESTRAINT PROCEEDINGS AND MUTUAL LEGAL ASSISTANCE

1. Jonathan Fisher QC was instructed by the Crown Prosecution Service in relation to the challenge of a restraint order made under Part 2 of the Proceeds of Crime Act in relation to close to £1 billion in assets. The restraint order was sought following a mutual legal assistance request in the context of a wide ranging investigation into bribery and fraud in Nigeria. Jonathan Fisher QC successfully opposed the lifting of the restraint order.

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## APPEAL OF A CIVIL FORFEITURE OF CASH ORDER

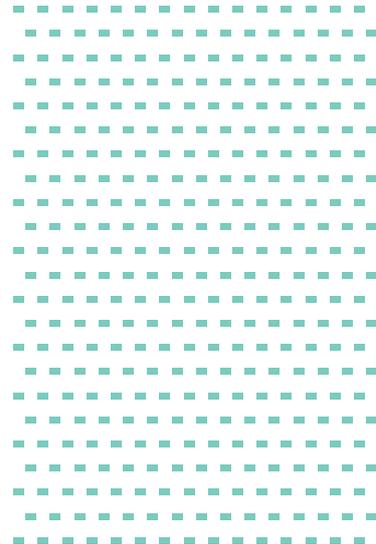
2. Jonathan Fisher QC is instructed in relation to the appeal of a civil forfeiture of cash order on a public access basis by a member of the public. Appeal proceedings have been brought under Part 5 of the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002.

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## HIGH COURT PROCEEDINGS FOR CIVIL RECOVERY

3. Jonathan Fisher QC is instructed by the defence in relation to high-value civil recovery proceedings commenced by the National Crime Agency in the High Court. The instruction is on a public access basis and comes direct from a member of the public.

Since he took silk, Jonathan Fisher QC has been instructed by enforcement agencies and the defence as leading counsel in several of the United Kingdom's leading confiscation cases relating to Part 2 and Part 5 proceedings.





**Bright Line Law's expertise in confiscation of criminal proceeds is further demonstrated by:**

- Grasp of the extra territorial application of POCA and particularly Unexplained Wealth Orders
- Expert understanding of Unexplained Wealth Orders and derivative use of the explanation
- Understanding how to challenge the calculation of criminal benefit
- Expert commentary sought by the media on the confiscation regime in the United Kingdom.

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### **CONTACT BRIGHT LINE LAW**

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