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BIOGRAPHY

Phoebe is an Associate in the Insurance/Reinsurance team, sitting within the firm's Financial Services Disputes and Investigations group. She primarily advises insurers and reinsurers on a variety of contentious issues and disputes. Phoebe has acted in High Court proceedings and arbitrations, as well as on matters settled by way of mediation. She has experience advising on a range of insurance and reinsurance coverage issues, including major losses such as COVID-19 and the Russia/Ukraine conflict, complex property/construction claims, and long tail liabilities/APH claims. Phoebe also has experience on disputes arising from the sale of Lloyd's corporate members and has experience in the legacy market, having spent time on secondment at a legacy reinsurer in 2023.

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The English Court has, for the first time, considered the meaning of a “catastrophe”, as well as how Hours Clauses work in the context of non-damage business interruption losses claimed under two Property Catastrophe Excess of Loss Reinsurance Treaties. While the Covid-19 pandemic may feel like a distant memory to some, disputes about the recovery of Covid-19 losses continue to trouble many reinsureds and reinsurers. The two key issues considered by the Commercial Court in determining appeals from arbitration awards made in *Unipol Re v Covéa* and *Markel v Gen Re* may bring welcome, and valuable, guidance to those in the reinsurance industry debating these terms. Those underwriting or purchasing “catastrophe” covers may also want to carefully consider this judgment and whether the Court’s approach to the meaning of that word aligns with their coverage expectations.

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