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**"Robin Booth is 'very knowledgeable and hardworking'."** (The Legal 500, 2013)

**"Robin Booth offers substantial experience as a former public prosecutor and head of fraud at the CPS."** (Chambers UK, 2012)

**"Robin Booth ... is well versed in advising clients on issues pertinent to corruption, money laundering and asset forfeiture."** (Chambers UK, 2010)

**"Robin Booth is immensely experienced and has a reputation for being particularly strong on money laundering matters."** (Chambers UK, 2009)

**"Former head of the fraud division at the CPS, Robin Booth focuses on defending allegations of fraud, corruption and money laundering. Peers note that 'he's a very wise man, and sharply analytical,' while his experience at the CPS brings a different perspective to the matters he handles; having formerly acted on the other side of the law, peers say that he has earned his stripes and has become 'a true defence lawyer'."** (Chambers UK, 2008)

**"Robin Booth has established a notable presence as an 'outstanding and first-rate' practitioner for Missing Trader Intra-Community (MTIC) cases. In addition, he has recently been involved in the first prosecution of a money laundering reporting officer for an offence arising out of his duties under POCA. Peers rated him as a 'bright, solid and effective performer with fine client-handling skills'."** (Chambers UK, 2007)

**"highly regarded"** (The Legal 500, 2004)

Robin Booth, Special Counsel at BCL, specialises in fraud, corruption and money laundering.

He started his career in private practice, doing mainly criminal defence work, before moving in 1975 to the Prosecuting Solicitors' Office in Greater Manchester. From the inception of the Crown Prosecution Service in 1986, he held a number of senior posts in Manchester, Sheffield and London, and from 1993 to 1999 he was head of the Fraud Division and Assistant Chief Crown Prosecutor at CPS Headquarters. He has extensive experience, both as a prosecutor and a defence lawyer, of the investigation and prosecution of serious financial and other crime.

After returning in 1999 to private practice as a partner at BCL, Robin has acted for defendants in a number of high profile fraud and money laundering prosecutions, as well as advising individuals, companies and foreign governments on anti-corruption and anti-money laundering compliance both in the UK and abroad.

Robin now acts for and advises individual and corporate clients on regulatory and compliance matters and in civil and criminal investigations relating to money laundering and corruption. He also acts for clients who are the subject of or affected by search and seizure powers exercised by the police and other law enforcement agencies, including production orders, warrants and cash seizure under the Proceeds of Crime Act 2002.

He was a member of the Money Laundering Task Force of the Law Society from when it was set up in 2000 until 2011, and he chaired the Task Force from October 2004 to April 2008. He was also a member of the Government's Money Laundering Advisory Committee and the SARs Regime Committee of the Serious Organised Crime Agency.

He is the lead author of "Money Laundering Law and Regulation: A Practical Guide" published by Oxford University Press in 2011.

