

London Office Managing Partner Christine Braamskamp Quoted in *City AM* on Government Plans for Judge-Alone Fraud Trials

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London Office Managing Partner Christine Braamskamp shared her insights with *City AM* on the UK government's plans to hear "technical and lengthy fraud and financial offences" before a judge alone, without a jury, as part of efforts to reduce the record backlog in the Crown Court.

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Christine explained that if a white-collar case, including fraud, is heard by a judge alone, any reasoned judgment will be read closely by regulators, investors and potentially overseas law enforcement authorities. She cautioned that this "raises the spectre of more aggressive follow on litigation in the form of civil claims, regulatory action or foreign investigations."

Christine co-chairs the firm's Investigations, Compliance, and Defense and Culture Risk and Sensitive Investigations practices. A former barrister, she leads highly complex criminal, reputational, and regulatory matters.

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