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Spring has arrived. Whilst the thought of freezing temperatures is hopefully behind us, freezing orders are never far from the minds of UK litigators seeking to prevent the dissipation of assets for their clients. In Part 1 of a three-part series for *Solicitors Journal*, Special Counsel Michaela Croft offers a comprehensive overview of the technicalities and case law shaping the requirements for obtaining freezing order relief from the English courts. In the forthcoming Part 2 and Part 3, Michaela will explore the feasibility of obtaining freezing orders to support arbitrations and will look at English court's readiness to employ freezing orders in innovative ways.

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