

## Matthew Felwick

Partner  
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### Biography

Matthew is a disputes Partner in the Global Product Law practice and is co-chair of our London life sciences team. Whether advising a life science company facing a group action in England, or helping a global product manufacturer work through claims across Europe, Matthew's extensive experience of complex, cross-border litigation means he gets the commercial context and quickly finds the best solution.

Matthew focusses on product liability and commercial disputes in the pharmaceutical, biotech and medical devices industries. He is also experienced in the manufacturing, oil and gas, tobacco and consumer goods sectors. Matthew helped one of the world's leading pharmaceutical companies defend product liability claims and navigate a regulatory investigation following the voluntary withdrawal of a blockbuster product and he defended a global manufacturer to claims across a number of jurisdictions following the supply of products to customers in the life sciences sector. He is currently advising a biotech client on a claim against a CRO regarding the conduct of a large-scale multi-centre Phase III clinical trial.

Matthew has specialist experience required to defend clients from collective actions, having acted in a number of high profile Group Actions in the High Court relating to Vioxx, Blood Products, All Metal Hips and



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### Practices

Commercial

Consumer Law

Health Law

Litigation Services

Medical Device and Technology  
Regulatory

Commercial Litigation

Products Law

Technology Litigation

Business and Human Rights

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### Industries

Automotive and Mobility

Niger Delta Oil Spills. He regularly gives litigation and risk management advice to global companies including in respect of coronial inquests, regulatory investigations and prosecutions and crisis management.

Matthew is described as 'a rising star' who 'combines sharp intelligence with a strong commercial awareness' by Legal 500 2017 where he is recognised for both Product Liability: defendant and Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology. Matthew is also recognised as one of the leading product lawyers in the UK by Who's Who Legal: Product Liability Defence 2017.

## Representative experience

Representing a global medical device manufacturer defending product liability claims for allegedly defective hip implants

Assisting with the response to a regulatory investigation into a global pharmaceutical company's systems and processes following the voluntary withdrawal of a drug

Assisting with the defence of an international tobacco group in various jurisdictions, including managing a large-scale outsourced disclosure exercise

## Latest thinking and events

- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - Doing Business in the UK: Consumer Sector 2020
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - International Products Law Review 2020: Issue 76
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - Data class actions guide
- Analysis
  - International Products Law Review 2019: Issue 75
- Hogan Lovells Publications
  - The road ahead: product liability and motor insurance implications of the Automated and

Consumer

Energy and Natural Resources

Life Sciences and Health Care

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## Areas of focus

Consumer Protection and Privacy

Product Compliance

Product Litigation

Medical Devices

Pharmaceuticals and Biotechnology

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Class Actions and Group Litigation

E-discovery and Information Management

Digital Health

Clinical Trials

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## Education and admissions

### Education

B.Sc., University of Edinburgh

LPC, Oxford Institute of Legal Practice

Pg.D.L., The College of Law, Guildford

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## Accolades

Band 1 (London Product Liability Group)

Electric Vehicles Act 2018

*Chambers UK, 2015*

■ Hogan Lovells Publications

■ International Products Law Review: Issue 74

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