



The complete litigation funding solution

When it comes to litigation funding DWF's message is clear and simple.

We know we think and act differently to our competitors. We don't view funding, innovation or risk sharing defensively or as a last resort. Funding products and solutions are a positive resource for our clients to utilise to obtain a litigation advantage.

Solution

We understand that different clients and circumstances require different solutions. Our clients want flexibility and options which is why we have developed a complete litigation funding solution. Some clients seek the certainty provided by hourly rates and fixed fees, others increasingly want us to back our judgment and share their risk. Such clients range from entrepreneurs to multinational PLCs and insurers.

We have an impressive track record of thinking creatively and working collaboratively with our clients to fund and successfully conclude cases our clients would not otherwise have been able to litigate due to funding constraints. We are committed to continuing to offer our clients the full range of funding solutions they want and need.

Our headline offerings appear overleaf split between those solutions that provide clients with maximum cost certainty and those that require risk sharing between the client, DWF and on occasion third parties. In order to provide our clients with access to the latest products and solutions we have access to market leading Third Party Funders and After the Event Insurers.

Each client and each circumstance requires a bespoke funding solution. That can only be considered following an open and detailed discussion about each case. We want to talk to our clients about how we can help achieve their objectives and requirements.

DWF fundlit at work

Recent cases where we have acted for our clients using conditional fee agreements include:

- Acting for a group of investors in relation to fraud claims totalling £25 million arising out of commercial property transactions.
- Acting for a US insurance company in a \$10 million claim against a top 10 law firm arising out of the alleged negligent conduct of arbitration proceedings.
- Acting for a leading automotive event management and training company in a claim against a former consultant for the unlawful removal of confidential information, breach of contractual restrictions and the setting up of a competing multimillion pound turnover business.
- Acting for the off shore office of a global bank in a claim against a firm of surveyors and valuers.
- Acting on behalf of executors in relation to a dispute concerning the administration of an estate.

“ DWF shared the risk to achieve a successful settlement of my claim. ”

“ Without DWF's innovative approach I was not in a financial position to pursue my claim. ”

“ DWF offered funding options and the solution for my case. ”

What our clients say

Funding options that involve shared risk

Conditional fee agreements

We offer Full and Discounted CFAs where the client pays no fees or reduced fees pending success in the litigation.

Damages based agreements

We offer DBAs where the client pays no fees pending success in the litigation at which point an agreed percentage of the damages recovered is paid as fees.

Third party funding

We offer access to independent investors who provide ongoing funding in relation to litigation in return for a share of the proceeds on success.

After the event legal expenses insurance

We offer access to ATE insurance which provides protection against having to pay the opponent's costs. We are also able to write policies allowing our clients to immediately pursue their claims rather than being held up whilst detailed and lengthy ATE applications are completed.

Funding options that provide maximum certainty

Hourly rates

We offer hourly rates based on agreed and transparent cost estimates.

Blended rates

Where a number of fee earners with different experience levels will be working on a particular claim we are prepared to blend their rates to one applicable rate.

Capped, fixed and staged fees

We are prepared to work to agreed capped, fixed and staged fees.

Collective case fees

If a client has a series of cases then we are prepared to explore agreeing set fees in relation to litigating all of the cases.

How can we help?

We think differently and have funding solutions available which we know how to use to secure our clients' objectives, reduce risk and maximise recovery. If you would like to find out more about DWF fundlit then please contact...



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