

# Funds & Investment Management

# Cayman Islands | Legal Services

With its robust legislative and regulatory framework, tax neutrality, flexible structuring options and experienced service providers, the Cayman Islands has evolved into the largest, principal international jurisdiction to domicile investment funds.

With over 50 years' experience, the Maples Group is the premier provider of legal services in the Cayman Islands, with a focused expertise in the funds and investment management industry.

# **Experience and Depth of Resources**

We have the largest legal team based in the Cayman Islands and, with over 125 lawyers across our other global offices, we are positioned to provide you with a deep bench of resources and access to the widest breadth of knowledge.

We practise Cayman Islands law from our offices in the Cayman Islands, Dubai, Hong Kong, London and Singapore, ensuring our clients have access to expert advice and bespoke support within convenient time zones.

# **Recognised Market Leader**

We are ranked in the top tier for Cayman Islands investment funds by leading legal directories Chambers Global, IFLR1000 and Legal 500, as well as for Cayman Islands corporate, finance and litigation, demonstrating the strength and depth we offer across all the disciplines upon which clients may draw.

We advise multi-nationals and institutional investment firms, leading fund managers and asset managers, and in the private equity space, we act for nine of the world's top ten private equity firms <sup>1</sup>.

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SERVICING OF THE WORLD'S LARGEST PRIVATE EQUITY MANAGERS

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OF MUTUAL FUNDS
IN THE
CAYMAN ISLANDS

46%

OF PRIVATE FUNDS
IN THE
CAYMAN ISLANDS

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> By capital raised for private equity in the last five years.

#### **Innovators and Client Advocates**

We are at the forefront of the changing investment market. In recent years, we have been the first to form and register numerous new entity types, as well as developing in-house technology to streamline the registration process, allowing for increase efficiency and lower costs.

We work closely with the Cayman Islands Government consulting on legislative programmes, and a number of our partners sit on private sector committees - such as Cayman Finance, AIMA and 100 Women in Finance, to provide expert opinions and advocate for our clients. These positions allow the Maples Group to present our clients' needs and interests in an ever-evolving regulatory and legal framework, and we have the required knowledge to ensure the investment funds sector in the Cayman Islands remains a world-leading regime.

#### **Global Presence**

Working alongside our offices in other key financial markets, we have an unrivalled view of the global funds and investment management sphere and can leverage this unique perspective for your benefit. Our multi-jurisdictional capability allows us to provide unbiased advice to guide clients to the most appropriate domicile in which to structure your fund or establish an investment manager, but also to give our clients the advantage of working with a single team capable of advising on a variety of cross-border structures and transactions.

In addition to our legal services, the Maples Group's offering is complemented by specialists covering fiduciary services, fund services, regulatory and compliance services and entity formation and management services.

#### **CLIENT TESTIMONIALS**

Clients choose Maples for its "uniformly first-rate performance," valuing the "good market knowledge, intellectual approach" and "tireless" support of its lawyers.

Chambers Global

"Maples has the leading investment funds practice in the Cayman Islands. Their collection of talent is impressive, as is their ability to take on challenging issues. They are responsive and commercial."

Legal 500

"Maples is responsive, thoughtful and commercial. They understand the broader context of a transaction and work with onshore lawyers to find smart and creative solutions. They are always available and get the job done."

- IFLR1000

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