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Marian heads Sullivan's UK insurance and disputes practices, working closely with the firm's established and multi-disciplinary trade and export finance team, and the firm's U.S.-based disputes team, providing advice on commercial dispute resolution, insurance and risk management.

With over 30 years' experience, Marian's contentious experience includes advising clients in relation to disputes arising from trade finance, professional negligence, commercial insurance and breach of contract claims. These disputes are often international in nature and result in large-scale, highly complex multi-party litigation, arbitrations and mediations.

Marian advises banks, insurance brokers, investment funds, government agencies and corporates in relation to their commercial insurance arrangements which support structured trade, commodity and pre-export financings as well as corporate finance, energy, property, M&A and outsourcing transactions.

She advises on the management of insurance claims and subrogation actions and issues arising from the restructuring of insured loans. She also drafts and interprets insurance policies and advises on the use of insurance by credit institutions and investments firms as credit risk mitigation for capital adequacy purposes under the UK's Capital Requirements Regulation and the EU's equivalent capital requirements regimes. Marian's contentious experience informs her approach to policy drafting and eligibility of insurance for use as credit risk mitigation.

Marian has been recognized in the 2023 – 2025 editions of *Best Lawyers, United Kingdom* for her work in Insurance Law.

Education

- University College Wales, Aberystwyth

Bar & Court Admissions

- Solicitor, Senior Courts of England and Wales

Capabilities

- Litigation
- Complex Commercial & Financial Disputes
- Insurance
- Corporate
- Finance
- International & Cross-Border Finance
- Trade & Export Finance
- Africa
- United Kingdom

Awards & Honors

- *Best Lawyers in the United Kingdom*, Insurance Law (2023-2025)
- Recommended by *The Legal 500 UK* (2017-2021, 2026)

Additional Publications

- The Second Edition of “A Practitioner’s Guide to Trade and Commodity Finance,” was published in 2021 by Sweet & Maxwell, a division of Thomson Reuters. Edited by Geoffrey Wynne, the guide covers all aspects of trade and commodity finance, from pre-export and structured trade finance to the rise of supply chain finance as part of the techniques involved in receivables finance. Marian, together with Managing Associate Hannah Fearn contributed a chapter on “The use of insurance in trade finance.”

Viewpoints

October 14, 2024

Marian Boyle Co-Authors ITFA Guidance Note on ‘Regulatory Requirements and Market Practices for Legal Opinions in Credit Insurance’

International Trade and Forfeiting Association (ITFA)

July 5, 2024

Interpreting English Law Contracts: Avoiding the Bear Traps

February 10, 2022

Upholding the Finality of Arbitration Awards

Sullivan Client Alert

June 5, 2020

Business Interruption – FCA Test Case

Sullivan Client Alert

May 28, 2020

Insurance Claims – Tips for Commercial Policyholders

Sullivan Client Alert

September 3, 2019

Moving forward with Credit Insurance: Mitigating Risk in Trade Finance

Trade Finance Global (TFG)

June 5, 2019

Analysis: Investigating the new guidelines for CRR-compliant non-payment insurance policies

Global Trade Review

March 8, 2019

Women in Finance 2019 – Balance for Better

Trade Finance Global

October 11, 2017

Cladding: Insurance Implications
Building Magazine

News

March 30, 2026

Sullivan Advises BAFT and ITFA on Updated CRR Legal Opinions Covering the Suite of Master Participation Agreements (MPAs)

October 1, 2025

Sullivan & Worcester UK LLP Receives Top Ranking in The Legal 500 United Kingdom 2026 for Trade Finance

October 2, 2024

Sullivan & Worcester UK LLP Top Ranked in The Legal 500 United Kingdom 2025 for Trade Finance

June 20, 2024

Sullivan Lawyers Included in the 2025 Edition of The Best Lawyers in the United Kingdom

October 4, 2023

Sullivan & Worcester UK LLP Top Ranked in The Legal 500 United Kingdom 2024 for Trade Finance

June 8, 2023

Sullivan Lawyers Included in the 2024 Edition of The Best Lawyers in the United Kingdom

June 9, 2022

Sullivan Lawyers Included in the 2023 Edition of The Best Lawyers in the United Kingdom®

May 5, 2022

Sullivan Wins Two Major Trade Finance Awards

March 10, 2022

Trade Finance: A Practitioner's Guide

December 14, 2021

Sullivan Launches "A Practitioner's Guide to Trade and Commodity Finance," Second Edition

October 1, 2020

Sullivan & Worcester UK LLP Recognized in the 2021 Edition of The Legal 500 UK

September 27, 2019

Sullivan & Worcester UK LLP Ranked in the 2020 Edition of The Legal 500 UK

June 28, 2019

Sullivan Named Best Law Firm of the Year at Trade Finance Awards for Excellence, 2019

June 11, 2019

Sullivan Advises ITFA on Revised Guidelines for CRR Compliant Non-Payment Insurance Policies

May 3, 2019

Sullivan Wins GTR 'Best Trade Finance Law Firm' 2019 Award

Events

June 30, 2026

ITFA Insurance Committee Day and Insurance Awards, 2026

Société Générale, Paris, France

July 8, 2025

Demystifying the Insurance Policy

ITFA Educational Seminar

December 17, 2024

Looking Back to Look Forward in Trade Finance

Sullivan-hosted webinar held on Zoom

June 20, 2024

ITFA Insurance Committee Day and Insurance Awards, 2024

HSBC Continental Europe, Paris, France

June 21, 2023

ITFA Insurance Committee Event and Insurance Awards Ceremony, 2023

Crédit Agricole CIB, Montrouge, France

November 23, 2022

Managing Potential Disputes: Strategies for Effective Resolution and Avoiding Common Pitfalls

Sullivan-hosted webinar held on Zoom

June 21, 2022

ITFA Insurance Committee Event and Insurance Awards Ceremony, 2022

ITFA (International Trade and Forfeiting Association) Paris, France

May 26, 2022

The Anatomy of Non-Payment Insurance Policies: What Should Policy Holders Look (and Look Out) For?

Sullivan-hosted webinar held on Zoom