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Biography

Chris is a Senior Lecturer at Aston Law School. Prior to entering academia, Chris practised as a solicitor with an international law firm, specialising in insolvency related advice to major UK and international clearing banks and multinational accountancy practices. Chris researches in the area of corporate insolvency, with a particular focus on corporate rescue. He has published work in a number of academic and practitioner journals. Chris has presented at a number of national and international insolvency law conferences and delivered webinars to academic and professional audiences. Chris has worked closely with government and the professions on research projects which have informed law reform and practice. This includes the 2014 Graham Review into Pre-Pack Administration, which has led to significant reforms to the administration process. Chris has experience of both written and broadcast media, including being interviewed by numerous BBC outlets on insolvency law developments such as the administration of Jamie's Italian, the pre-pack of Debenhams and the Arcadia Group CVA proposals. Chris features in the 'Aston means business' podcast series. In the first podcast 'What happens when the money runs out', Chris was interviewed by Steve Dyson about different aspects of insolvency and corporate rescue, including exploring the different options available to businesses in financial trouble, along with their legal responsibilities. Chris is also a contributing editor for Palmer's Company Law and Palmer's Insolvency Law. In addition, Chris is also interested in legal education and student employability. He has researched and written on the two and leads on Learning and Teaching development at Aston Law School.

Areas of Expertise

Corporate Rescue, Liquidation, Insolvency, Administration, Business Rescue

Affiliations

Insolvency Lawyers Association : Academic Member, Society of Legal Scholars : Member, Higher Education Academy : Senior Fellow

Education

University of Birmingham

BA Ancient and Medieval History

Nottingham Trent University

PG Diploma Law

Nottingham Trent University
Graduate LLB

Nottingham Trent University
PG Diploma Legal Practice

University of Wolverhampton
PG Certificate Higher Education

University of Wolverhampton
LLM Professional Practice

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