### Browne Jacobson

# **Graham Ball**

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Graham is a banking and finance partner at Browne Jacobson and heads up the Manchester team. He advises both lenders and borrowers on all types of debt finance including acquisition finance, asset-based lending, real estate finance, debt restructuring and general corporate lending. Graham also has considerable experience advising corporate clients and private equity houses on sponsored transactions.

Graham joined Browne Jacobson in October 2021, having previously worked at Squire Patton Boggs. He has also benefitted from two stints on secondment at a major clearing bank, so has gained invaluable experience of life as a client. He is well connected in the Manchester market and acts for a wide range of banks, corporates, private equity houses and alternative debt funders.

Graham has been listed as both a "key lawyer" and "recommended" in the UK Legal 500 in the last few years. He has joined what is already a strong banking team in Manchester, with great potential to grow the team further.

### Expertise

**Financial services** 

Health

Insurance

Retail, consumer and logistics

Technology

### **Featured experience**

**RBS Invoice Finance** 

Advising RBS Invoice Finance in relation to its invoice finance facilities to a provider of bespoke logistics services and related intercreditor arrangements.

#### **Virgin Money**

Acted for the Virgin Money Acquisition Finance team in providing £1.6m of funding for the acquisition of a building supplies business in the North of England.

#### LDC

Advised leading mid-market private equity firm LDC on the debt finance aspects of its investment into global programmatic advertising company, Blis, to support its international growth strategy.

#### **OakNorth Bank**

Advised OakNorth Bank on its loan facilities to Apprentify, a leading provider of digital marketing and tech apprenticeships for the North, including support for the simultaneous bolt-on acquisition of Netcom Training, a West Midlands-based provider of government funded IT training courses.

## **Testimonials**

"This was a really important deal for OakNorth Bank and a prolific deal for the North West and Graham and his team knew that, and ensured we were given high quality advice and excellent support along the way." Stewart Howarth, Director of Debt Finance, OakNorth Bank

"The standard of service and commitment both you and Mel provide is fantastic" Vince Carubia, Associate Director, Virgin Money

"This is the first time we have worked with Browne Jacobson's Manchester banking & finance team and the service we received from them and the turnaround in delivery of this deal was nothing short of phenomenal." **Stewart Howarth, Director of Debt Finance, OakNorth Bank** 

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