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Barrister Call- 2019 lain is a commercial Barrister with an extensive range of experience in civil disputes with a focus on Commercial Litigation disputes, Insolvency and Fraud.

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Successful Judgment

lain Shipley was successful in obtaining an urgent interim worldwide freezing order before Mr Justice Meade as well as a Bankers Trust order, following an Authorised Push Payment ("APP") fraud in which fraudsters posing as his client's conveyancing solicitors persuaded her to transfer substantive funds into what was said to be her solicitors' trust bank account.

The application for the freezing order was made on an urgent basis as soon as she discovered the fraud, and a freezing order obtained within a day of the application being issued. 90% of the funds were caught before they could be dissipated, and the banks involved have agreed to arrange that this be transferred back to her without the need for a further court order. The interim freezing order has now been discharged.

Ultimately, because the APP fraud was discovered early and steps were taken immediately to stop it on an urgent basis, the return of the vast majority of the funds has been secured within a matter of weeks without the need to engage in the complicated and costly exercise of tracing the fraudsters and issuing substantive proceedings against them.

This is another example of success in the APP space for Forum Chambers, following on from David McIlroy acting on the Philipp v Barclays Court of Appeal Success, Phillipp v Barclays Bank PLC [2022] EWCA Civ 318