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Session Resources Pack
What is HOT in Property Division in CrossBorder Disputes?

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Alex is a regular commentator and speaker on family law and on issues concerning divorce, most particularly those involving trusts and complex financial structures. He continues to be highly commended in the leading legal directories for his expertise, which describe him as 'a stand-out litigator of immense experience and superior instincts' and 'a complete advocate for his clients. He is technically superb and represents his clients brilliantly.'

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