



## Sophia Harris, LL.B.

### MANAGING PARTNER, HEAD OF LOCAL LICENSING GROUP

Sophia-Ann Harris (nee Solomon), the founder of the firm Solomon Harris now part of Bedell Cristin, is a graduate of the Cayman Islands Law School and has a degree from the University of Liverpool, England. She received an award from the Chamber of Commerce and the Cayman Islands Bar Association for scholarly achievements.

Sophia was trained and practised with Hunter & Hunter (now Appleby) before leaving to establish Solomon Harris in 1997. The award-winning firm, Solomon Harris, has been consistently ranked as one of the top independent firms in the Cayman Islands and held an office in Zurich, Switzerland for over 6 years. Sophia's specialties include banking, hedge funds and unit trusts, corporate and commercial law, trusts, immigration and all aspects of local licensing law. She is a well recognised corporate and immigration attorney and is listed in Lawyer Monthly's 'Leading Lawyer 100' in the category of Banking and Finance for 2012. Sophia is also a full member of STEP.

Sophia served as the Chairwoman of the Immigration Appeals Tribunal from October, 2009 to September, 2013. She was Chairwoman for the Immigration Department's Business Staffing Plan Board for 2 years and sat on the Immigration Review Team for 2007 to 2008 and 2013. Sophia has also served on the Board of Governors for the University College of the Cayman Islands and also served on the Board of Directors for the Special Economic Zones Authority from 2014 to 2016. Sophia is a past Chairwoman of the Board of Directors of the Butterfield Bank (Cayman) Limited and continues to sit on its Board of Directors. Sophia is a current member of the Cayman Islands Anti-Corruption Commission by appointment of H.E. the Governor of the Cayman Islands.

Sophia is a council member of the Cayman Islands Law Society and has sat as a council member of the Caymanian Bar Association. She is a Past President of the Rotary Club of Grand Cayman, serving as the first female president in the Cayman Islands and is a past Assistant Governor for the Rotary Clubs within the Cayman Islands. She is a Past President of the Chamber of Commerce and during her term with the Chamber she has addressed the United Nations on a number of occasions including the United Nations General Assembly on constitutional matters for the Cayman Islands.

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