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Qualifications and Appointments

- Law Scholar at Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge. Graduated in 2007 with a first class degree, finishing fifth in the year.
- William McNair Prize in 2006 and 2007 for the top first at Gonville and Caius College in both years.
- Denning Scholarship and Hardwicke Entrance award from Lincoln's Inn.
- Buchanan Prize for obtaining an "outstanding" grade in the BVC.

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Chambers & Partners, 2015

Practice Overview

Ben has a broad-based commercial Chancery practice, with a particular emphasis on property and pensions work, and related professional negligence, although he also has wide experience in all of Chambers' other core areas, including insolvency, company, contractual disputes, trusts, wills and probate and other private client matters, civil fraud and general commercial disputes.

He enjoys acting on his own account, or as a junior as part of a large team.

Ben joined Chambers in 2009 following the completion of his pupillage.

Ben is recommended in *Chambers & Partners* 2015 in the pension field, which states that he is **"A strong and confident advocate who is well regarded by peers and clients"** and describes him as **"Bright, commercial, easy to work with and responsive"**.

He was also recommended in the 2014 and 2013 editions, where it was said that he is **"recognised for hsi diligence and client-focused approach"** and **"impressed solicitors with his tremendous work ethic and mastery of the facts"**.

Memberships

- Chancery Bar Association
- Association of Pension Lawyers (Associate member)
- Property Bar Association
- Bar Pro Bono panel

Publications

- Editor of **'Hill and Redman's Law of Landlord and Tenant'** (2014) (sections on Commonhold tenure, and unfair terms in tenancy agreements)
- **'Butterworths Property Law Handbook'** (2013) *10th Edition*
- **'Quantification of release fees: principle and practice'** (2012) *Development Disputes: current issues for property litigators*
- **'A room with a view'** (2010) *New Law Journal* vol 160, No 7405
- Contributor to the Pension Scheme Actuaries chapter in *Professional Negligence and Liability* looseleaf



Commercial

Ben is often instructed in banking and commercial matters, both on his own account or in larger cases as part of a team.

Recent instructions include:

- Advising in a confidential case concerning financial assistance rules (led by Conall Patton).
- Acting for a well-known call centre in a complex commercial dispute concerning the sales of loft and cavity wall insulation (led by Graeme Halkerston).
- Acting for a beneficiary of an estate in holding the administrators of the estate to account.
- Acting for a beneficiary of an earlier will in a challenge to a later will on the basis of the testator's lack of testamentary capacity.