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expertise”*

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Memberships

- Chancery Bar Association
- Property Bar Association
- Commercial Bar Association
- Commercial Fraud Lawyer's Association
- Association of Pension Lawyers
- Bar Pro Bono Panel

Publications

- Editor of *Butterworth's Property Law Handbook*
- Author of articles in areas of equity and trusts
- Contributor to Wilberforce organised seminars in various practice areas

Practice Overview

Jonathan has been shortlisted for '*Property Junior of the Year*' for the Chambers UK Bar Awards 2014.

Jonathan has also recently been appointed by the Attorney General to the A Panel of Counsel to the Crown (as from September 2015), the most senior of the 3 Crown Panels.

Jonathan is a highly experienced and respected junior with a broad commercial chancery practice encompassing, among other areas, commercial and financial disputes, property, trusts and professional liability.

He has considerable experience, in particular, of large-scale and high-value litigation in cases which involve more than one field of law. He is regularly instructed in complex tax litigation, and is currently involved in the high profile *Ingenious* litigation and *Icebreaker* litigation, the latter of which has been reported in *The Times* under the headlines '*Taxman vs Take That*' and '*Take That, Barlow*'.

Jonathan is a highly persuasive advocate, with considerable experience both as a trial lawyer and as an appellate advocate. As well as appearing in the higher courts, Jonathan has substantial experience of a wide range of tribunals including the Tax and Chancery Chamber of the Upper Tribunal.

Jonathan regularly appears in the Legal Directories as a leading junior in various areas. He is "**renowned for his incredible eloquence, reassuring client manner and impressive breadth of expertise**" (*Chambers & Partners*). In the latest editions he is recommended as a "**leading junior**" for complex and high value in real estate litigation (*Chambers & Partners*), and in the area of private client/personal tax in relation to which he is described as a "**key figure**" (*The Legal 500*). Jonathan also appears in the Directories under Treasury Counsel (Chancery). Jonathan is renowned for being a user-friendly and practical adviser with meticulous attention to detail.

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Qualifications and Appointments

- First Class Honours degree, Philosophy, University of Nottingham
- Distinction, International Relations MA, University of Nottingham
- MPhil, Downing College, Cambridge University
- CPE, City University, London
- Denning, Mansfield, Bowen and Hardwicke Scholarships, Lincoln's Inn
- Commercial experience in United Kingdom, Europe and United States prior to being called to the Bar
- Attorney General's Panel of Counsel to the Crown (B Panel)



Pensions

Jonathan has extensive experience of dealing with a wide range of pensions matters, including complaints to and appeal from the Pensions Ombudsman. In his capacity as junior counsel to the Crown, Jonathan regularly acts for the Cabinet Office and the Department of Work and Pensions in relation to pensions disputes. Jonathan is a member of the Association of Pension Lawyers.

Some representative cases include:

- Acting for a scheme trustee in respect of a dispute regarding the proper tax treatment of scheme investments (with Michael Furness QC).
- Acting for a scheme trustee in proceedings to recover assets transferred out of a scheme to a former trustee (with Robert Ham QC).
- Acting for a scheme administrator in respect of an appeal from the Pensions Ombudsman determination.
- Acting for the Crown in a multi-party pensions liberation dispute.
- Acting for the Pensions Ombudsman in a claim for judicial review.
- Acting for a scheme member in respect of a breach of trust claim against scheme trustee.