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Qualifications and Appointments

- Degree in Classics, Oriel College, Oxford
- Oriel College Exhibitioner
- Distinction in Postgraduate Diploma in Law
- College of Law prize for best paper in Tort
- Laurence Kingsley Prize for Excellence in Drafting and Pleading, Inns Court School of Law

“Very practical, extremely bright, highly persuasive and a delight to work with.”

Chambers & Partners 2016

Memberships

- Chancery Bar Association
- Property Bar Association
- Professional Negligence Bar Association
- Society of Trust and Estate Practitioners (STEP)
- Bar Pro Bono Panel

Publications

- [Legal Digest \(Issue 2\) Trust, Tax, Probate and Estates](#) (Editor)
- [In the post-Pitt world...](#) (2014) *Trusts & Trustees* 20 (9): 871-881
- [Hill and Redman's Law of Landlord and Tenant](#) Editor
- [Failed joint ventures: the search for the 'Pallant v Morgan equity'](#) (2008) *Development Disputes*: Current issues for property litigators

Practice Overview

Tiffany specialises in commercial litigation, trusts and estates disputes, property litigation and professional liability claims. She has experience in 'business' litigation of all kinds, often with an international element, including fund and partnership disputes, shareholder disputes, claims against fiduciaries, and claims arising out of insolvency and civil fraud.

She has appeared before courts and tribunals at all levels. In May 2012 she appeared unled in the Privy Council in *Kelly v Fraser* [2012] UKPC 25, an estoppel claim involving a Jamaican pension fund.

She enjoys working as part of a litigation team. She is known for being 'user-friendly', as well as for her meticulous preparation of cases, attention to detail and first-rate drafting skills. Her clients range from investment banks to charities, from high net worth individuals to those who need representation on a pro bono basis.

Tiffany is recommended as a leading junior:

- by The Legal 500 in the fields of private client – trusts and probate, professional negligence, and property litigation.
- by Chambers & Partners in the fields of chancery traditional, chancery commercial and real estate litigation; she was runner-up in the "Real Estate Junior of the Year" category at the Chambers UK Bar Awards in 2015.
- by Chambers Global in the field of dispute resolution: commercial chancery.

She is described in the current directories as *"exceptionally bright and hard-working. She makes the advice very easy to understand when tackling subjects that are very, very difficult", "good to work with, clever and reliable" and "a self-assured advocate who is user-friendly and inspires confidence". "She takes a look at the bigger picture, rather than getting bogged down in the minutiae, and is extremely good with clients". "Accessible, down to earth, calm and very bright – she goes above and beyond for clients".*

In previous years the directories have commented that she is *"a brilliant, self-assured advocate who is a real asset to any team", "very persuasive and adaptable on her feet", "a rising star, who is brilliant under pressure", and "just very knowledgeable and really swift in terms of delivery"; "incisive and tactically adept" with "an excellent grasp of complex valuation matters"; "sources emphasise her fine cross-examination skills and say 'her style is effective as she is ruthless, yet never over the top, when exposing the limitations of her opponent's case", and that she "knows how to give the other side a good kicking."*



Professional Liability

Tiffany has an established reputation in the area of professional liability and has been recommended as a leading junior in this field by The Legal 500 for some years. The current 2015 edition describes her as a "**a first-rate advocate**". The previous edition described her as "**very persuasive and adaptable on her feet**". She undertakes a wide variety of professional negligence work, whether acting for claimants or for the insured, in claims against solicitors, barristers, accountants, trustees, surveyors, construction professionals, finance practitioners (including pension advisers) and insurance brokers. Much of her work in this area is property or trust related.

She undertakes a variety of cases with a financial services element including claims arising out of poor investment advice or mis-selling and other related actions requiring analysis of the performance of investments for the purpose of assessing damages.

She has experience dealing with claims requiring consideration of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 and the Conduct of Business Rules and she has also, over the years, dealt with claims involving previous regulatory regimes including the rules of FIMBRA, the Personal Investment Authority, and LAUTRO.

Recent cases include:

- Advising a major institutional investor as to potential solicitors' negligence proceedings arising out of investment in a large well-known shopping centre.
- Representing a firm of investment advisers in proceedings brought by a beneficiary of a trust alleging that negligent financial advice had been provided to the trustees.
- Advising and representing insured clients in various disputes arising out of allegedly negligent conveyancing and property surveys and valuations.
- Advising a former director/shareholder in relation to the negligent drafting of an agreement for his exit from the company.

Former cases include:

- *Pritchard Joyce & Hinds v Batcup* [2009] EWCA Civ 369; [2009] PNLR 28 – A successful appeal acting for the defendant barristers in a negligence claim arising out of alleged failure to advise as to limitation issues.
- *Trustees of Reynard Racing Cars Ltd Directors' Pension Fund v Ridge & Partners LLP* [2009] – Acting for the claimant in a claim against a construction project manager for the failure of a multi-million pound hotel and restaurant development at Brackley, home of Formula 1.
- *Hannan v Sweetman & Hamblins & Ors* [2008] – Acting for defendants in a claim by a disappointed beneficiary against a professional interim receiver appointed under the Mental Health Act 1983 for alleged failure to procure a statutory will.