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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 of Court School of Law
- Diplock Scholarship, Middle Temple

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Chambers & Partners 2014

Memberships

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

Publications

- Editor of Hill and Redman's *Law of Landlord and Tenant*
- Contributor to the Wilberforce Chambers book *Development Disputes – Current issues for Property Litigators* published in 2013
- Regular presenter at seminars, for in-house training and at conferences on a wide variety of topics

Practice Overview

Tiffany specialises in commercial litigation, trusts and estates litigation, property litigation and professional liability claims. She has experience in 'business' dispute 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 un-led 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 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 and Partners*, in the fields of chancery traditional, chancery commercial and real estate litigation.
- by *Chambers Global* in the field of dispute resolution: commercial chancery.

She is described in the current directories as **"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"**.

In previous years the directories have commented that she is **"incisive and tactically adept"** with **"an excellent grasp of complex valuation matters"**, that **"sources emphasis 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 2014 edition describes 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 – 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.