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“Excellent in terms of his work product and his attitude, he’s an absolute pleasure to work with”

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Qualifications and Appointments

- First Class honours degree in Law, St John’s College, Cambridge
- Clifford Chance David Gottlieb Prize for obtaining the highest law examination results in the year at the University of Cambridge
- Jacovides Prize for international law
- College and university awards for gaining a first in each year of undergraduate degree
- LLM from Harvard Law School
- Hardwicke and Mansfield Scholarships from Lincoln’s Inn
- Registered advocate before DIFC Courts

Memberships

- Chancery Bar Association
- COMBAR
- Association of Pension Lawyers
- ACTAPS
- Bar Pro Bono Panel

Publications

- [How to side-step valid trust and corporate structures](#) (2014) *Trusts & Trustees* 20 (9):891-929
- Author of the negligence section of *Cordery on Solicitors*

Practice Overview

Andrew’s practice covers commercial and traditional chancery work. Within these fields, he has particularly strong interests in trusts, pensions, fraud and breach of fiduciary duties, professional liability, company and partnership disputes. He is also often brought into to assist with cases involving other areas of the law most notably family, insolvency and regulatory proceedings.

Andrew enjoys both the advisory and advocacy sides of his practice and is experienced in the main forms of alternative dispute resolution. He frequently appears on his own against QCs. He is also regularly instructed as part of a team either alongside a QC or leading more junior barristers.

In recent times, Andrew has gained significant experience of working on so-called ‘big money’ divorce cases involving the treatment of trust assets. He has also been instructed in many of the recent leading pension cases especially those considering the use of The Pensions Regulator’s powers.

Many of Andrew’s cases involve an international element, particularly in the context of trust disputes or fraud cases, and he has been admitted to the Bar of the Cayman Islands where he has appeared as an advocate. In the past few years, Andrew has been engaged on matters concerning proceedings in Jersey, the Isle of Man, Cyprus, Switzerland, Singapore, Bermuda, Nevis, the British Virgin Islands, several states of the USA and the Cayman Islands.

The recent Chambers & Partners 2019 describes him as *“an absolutely urbane, sophisticated and interesting, client-facing guy”* who is *“a very reliable and personable barrister and a safe pair of hands”* A well-liked junior who is effective in fraud and breach of fiduciary duty cases. He is admired for the quality of his advice and advocacy and often appears unled in significant cases.

Andrew adroitly handles a diverse range of traditional and commercial chancery matters, demonstrating considerable strength in cases concerning trusts, professional liability and company law. *“He’s excellent with clients, excellent to work with and a talented guy.”* He is also known for his expertise with regard to the treatment of trust assets in high-value divorce cases.

Meanwhile the 2019 edition of The Legal 500 describes Andrew as *“rock solid on the law while remaining very commercial”* and says *“you can be confident that he will find the answer to the most complicated of cases.”*



Professional Liability

Andrew is regularly instructed on a wide range of professional liability cases across the commercial and chancery law spectrum. In particular, he frequently acts for or against lawyers, pensions professionals, trustees and other fiduciaries, accountants and auditors, directors and financial advisors.

Andrew also has experience of regulatory proceedings against solicitors and accountants. He has acted in proceedings before the Solicitors Disciplinary Tribunal and is also instructed by the FRC.

Recent notable matters that Andrew has worked on include the following:

- *Sea Containers Pension Schemes*. Andrew is instructed for defendant benefit consultants and actuaries in a professional negligence claim arising out of alleged failed equalisation in the Sea Containers Pension Schemes.
- *Bloxwich Pension Scheme*. Andrew was instructed for defendant benefit consultants facing professional negligence claims in the administration of the Bloxwich Pension Scheme.
- *Re a Gibraltar Trust*. Andrew was instructed for claimant beneficiaries in proceedings alleging (amongst other things) professional negligence against a trustee company in relation to the administration and investment of a trust based in Gibraltar.
- *Hampton v Clifford Harris*. Claim by a beneficiary against her former solicitors in respect of delays in the distribution of an estate which caused increased inheritance tax liabilities.
- *Logue v Shaw & Turnbull*. A private prosecution against two solicitors which was brought by an individual who was the subject of a freezing injunction which had been wrongly granted.
- *FRC investigations*. Andrew has acted on several disciplinary cases brought by the FRC against accountants and auditors.
- Several claims against solicitors for negligent advice in the context of residential conveyancing.
- Defending an accountancy firm facing a £30m claim for alleged breaches of duty in relation to an invoice discounting facility.
- Acting for a tenant against its former solicitors for failing to give proper advice about its ability to serve a valid termination notice under an agreement for lease.
- Advising in relation to a massive property-related professional negligence claim arising out of the faulty construction of a multi-storey car park for a shopping centre.
- Acting for a Cayman Islands building firm against allegations of professional negligence in respect of hurricane-related remedial work.
- Confidential proceedings in the Queen's Bench Division to obtain an urgent injunction preventing a licensor from repudiating a worldwide licence agreement for the manufacture of clothing. Simultaneous proceedings were ongoing in Delaware and Illinois.