



## Emily Campbell

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*“She has the ability and experience of a QC, and an immensely strong moral compass.”*

The Legal 500

### Clerks' Details

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### Qualifications and Appointments

- MA (Oxon), BCL
- First in Jurisprudence, Christ Church, Oxford

### Memberships

- Association of Contentious Trust and Probate Specialists
- Society of Trusts and Estate Practitioners (STEP)
- Association of Pension Lawyers
- Revenue Bar Association
- Chancery Bar Association

## Practice Overview

Emily's practice encompasses a broad range of chancery and commercial work. She is particularly experienced in both the litigation and advisory sides of the law relating to pension schemes, trusts, estates and taxation. Whilst her practice has an emphasis on matters involving complex technical issues, such as those with a significant actuarial or mathematical content, she has a reputation for giving clear, practical and commercial advice and being very user-friendly. Emily has a working knowledge of German.

On the pensions side, Emily has significant experience of pensions litigation (including regulatory work, professional negligence and rectification claims) and she regularly advises on issues including scheme funding, the scope of powers in pension schemes and the effect of mistakes in pension scheme documents. Complementing her pensions practice, Emily has a broad private client practice. She acts in a range of contentious and non-contentious trust and estate litigation, including cases with a foreign element. She advises on a wide range of issues with an emphasis on private wealth planning, tax and the drafting of trust documentation.

Emily is recommended in the legal directories in the following categories: Pensions (Chambers & Partners, 2017 and The Legal 500, 2016), Private Client: trusts and probate (Legal 500 2016) and Chancery: Traditional (Chambers & Partners 2017). Emily is also listed in the Who's Who Legal: UK Bar 2016 for Private Client.

Emily was ACTAPS Contentious Barrister of the Year 2014.

The recent Chambers & Partners, 2017 describe her as "*clear and to the point. She will not only clearly analyse all the problems, but will always look to provide creative ways of solving them*"; "*Her mathematical brain is almost as impressive as her legal brain, which is of huge benefit when dealing with pension cases that involve complex maths issues*". The Legal 500, 2016, says: "*She has a legal brain of silk quality and a killer instinct*". Chambers & Partners, 2016 says: "*She is ferociously bright and very good on paper, as well as on her feet*"; "*Highly incisive and careful in her approach, she is extremely tenacious in getting her point across*".



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## Professional Liability

Emily regularly advises claimants and defendants in relation to professional negligence claims relating to (i) occupational and personal pension schemes (ii) tax planning and drafting relating to trusts and estates and (iii) the administration of trusts and estates. The type of professional concerned includes accountants, actuaries, solicitors, barristers and benefit consultants.

Examples of recent work include:

- *Barker v Baxendale-Walker* [2016] EWHC 664 (Ch) (negligence claim in relation to tax advice regarding an employee benefit trust).
- Advising a professional indemnity insurer in relation to a claim against a legal adviser concerning the drafting of documents implementing a complex tax scheme.
- Advising the trustees of an occupational pension scheme in relation to a claim against an insurer for failure to renew death benefit cover.
- Advising the principal employer of an occupational pension scheme in respect of a claim against the scheme administrators for failure to document a reduction in future pensions accrual.