



## James Walmsley

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### Qualifications and Appointments

- Maths & Philosophy MA (Oxon) 1995-1999 – top in year
- Graduate Diploma in Law 2005-2006 – distinction
- BVC 2006-2007 – outstanding
- Fellow of All Souls College Oxford 1999-2014

*“He’s extremely clever, easy to work with and makes himself available”*

Chambers & Partners, 2017

## Practice Overview

James has a broad commercial chancery practice including general commercial litigation and arbitration, trusts, pensions and professional liability.

He is consistently recommended in Chambers & Partners and in The Legal 500 for his pensions work.

In the latest editions he is described as *“extremely bright”* and *“very hardworking”*. He is *“a growing presence in the pensions field”*, and *“highly intelligent”*. He is considered *“one of those who can turn his hand to a lot of different things”*, as well as being *“good on the technical aspects of the law... extremely hard-working, responsive and very easy to work with”*. Recommended by Chambers & Partners, 2016 as *“a very solid junior who would be a serious contender for smaller cases that require a high-quality junior to appear without leading counsel”* and The Legal 500, 2015 note that he is *“able to understand the challenges that might be facing the client”*.

In the 2013 edition of Chambers & Partners he was featured as one of the ten stars at the Bar (five years call and under).

## Memberships

- Association of Pension Lawyers
- Chancery Bar Association
- Commercial Bar Association

## Publications

- [‘Exoneration clauses and self-dealing: Barnsley v Noble’](#) (2014) *Wilberforce Legal Digest* (Issue 1) March 2015
- The pensions chapter of Lightman & Moss



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## Professional Liability

James has extensive experience in the field of professional liability, much, but not all of which, is connected to his pensions work and much, not all of which, is concerned with claims against solicitors.

He has acted in claims concerning breach of director's duty (including in connection with the misuse of confidential information), claims against trustees for breach of trust, and claims involving allegations of conflicts of interest against trustees and solicitors.