



## 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

## “A brilliant technical and strategic thinker.”

The Legal 500, 2022

### Memberships

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

### Publications

- The pensions chapter of Lightman & Moss

### Practice Overview

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

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

#### Chambers & Partners 2022:

Commercial Dispute Resolution *"Brainy and incredibly thorough, he is a fantastic team player."*

Pensions *"His ability to distil vastly complex fact patterns into practical advice is extremely impressive."*

#### The Legal 500 2022:

Commercial *"James provides laser-focused and practical advice; he cuts to the heart of the matter quickly and confidently. His written work is exceptional."*

Professional Negligence *"A brilliant technical and strategic thinker. He is particularly well-suited to large and complex cases and will get on top of the facts quickly."*

Pensions *"James is respected for his acumen and raw intelligence, particularly in actuarial or financial matters."*

#### Chambers & Partners 2021:

Commercial Dispute Resolution: *"He is incredibly logical and will look at things very thoroughly from all angles."*

Pensions: *"He is exceptionally good – extremely bright and hard-working."* *"He always adds value when considering difficult areas of contract law."*

#### The Legal 500 2021:

Commercial litigation: *"Extremely hard-working, on top of the papers, and has a fierce intellect."*



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## Practice Overview continued

Pensions: *"Very knowledgeable of pensions and more general civil procedure, demonstrating really considered advice that gives you confidence that he has the right answer."*

Professional negligence: *"He is extremely detailed oriented and has an absolute mastery of the law."*

## 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 in addition 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.

James is ranked in this area by The Legal 500 2022 who describe him as *"A brilliant technical and strategic thinker. He is particularly well-suited to large and complex cases and will get on top of the facts quickly."*