



Jonathan Davey QC

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QC: 2016

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“A thoroughly modern QC who gives very straightforward and to-the-point advice. He’s someone who always provides answers rather than creates problems.”

Chambers UK 2020

“A top-class silk. His advocacy is attractive, thoughtful and measure.”

The Legal 500 UK 2020

Memberships

- Chancery Bar Association
- Property Bar Association
- Commercial Bar Association
- Commercial Fraud Lawyer's Association

Publications

[Butterworths Property Law Handbook 11th Edition \(2018\)](#)

Practice Overview

Jonathan was appointed Queen's Counsel in 2016 at just 13 years' call. Prior to taking Silk, Jonathan served on the Attorney General's A Panel of Counsel to the Crown, the most senior of the 3 Crown Panels, and was shortlisted for *Chambers & Partners' Junior of the Year* award in the areas of Chancery and Real Estate.

Jonathan has a broad commercial chancery practice with a particular focus on property, tax litigation and trusts.

Jonathan is a highly respected litigator with considerable experience of complex, large-scale and high-value litigation in cases which involve more than one field of law. An example is the high profile £1 billion *Ingenious* litigation which is currently before the courts. Jonathan has considerable experience of leading large legal teams.

Jonathan is a highly persuasive advocate, with substantial experience both as a trial lawyer and as an appellate advocate. As well as appearing in the higher courts, Jonathan frequently appears across a range of tribunals and other dispute resolution forums.

Jonathan is ranked in the legal directories (*Chambers UK, Chambers Global and/or The Legal 500*) in the areas of real estate, tax and private client. Comments that have been made of him in the most recent directories include:

- **Real estate:** "Very hands-on, user-friendly and accessible." "An absolute pleasure to work with – bright, thorough, well prepared." "An excellent advocate."
- **Private client:** "A brilliant advocate, excellent with clients, diligent, a leader who will go the extra mile for a client and then some." "Responsive, thoughtful, open-minded. He listens to the client; very collaborative in approach."
- **Tax:** "A very, very good and extremely eloquent advocate." "Extremely good at explaining things in terms that a non-specialist can understand. He responds very quickly, which is welcome."



Practice Overview continued

Comments that have been made of him in the directories include: "a key figure", "hugely respected", "extremely impressive", "phenomenally intelligent", "charming and effective", "user friendly", "a pleasure to work with", "a real team player", "makes things simple", "practical", "an accomplished advocate", "incredibly eloquent", "an excellent draftsman", "reassuring client manner", "very calm", "impressive breadth of expertise", "in massive demand for good reason", and "handles complex litigation matters with aplomb".

Domestic Arbitration & ADR

Jonathan has extensive experience of arbitration, expert determination and other forms of ADR. He routinely advises and acts as an advocate in cases resolved by these means. He is happy to offer early neutral evaluations to assist parties in resolving their disputes.

Some representative cases include:

- Acting for high profile public body in expert determination in respect of a multi-million pound option agreement [2019-2020].
- Acting in commercial dispute resolved by arbitration proceedings under the Arbitration Act 1996 concerning the construction of a complex contractual agreement in respect of a real estate portfolio comprising hundreds of commercial properties [2018].
- Acting for well-known FTSE 100 company in multi-million pound damages claim decided through expert determination following one party's termination of a development agreement [2018].
- Acting for vendor in multi-million pound dispute resolved through mediation concerning breach of a contract for the sale of land in respect of a substantial central London residence [2017].
- Acting for principal in multi-million dispute resolved through mediation in respect of breach of an agency contract [2016].