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Qualifications and Appointments

- BCL, Balliol College, Oxford (awarded a scholarship by the Oxford Law Faculty)
- LLB, King's College London (1st Class, joint top of university) (awarded a scholarship by the King's Law Faculty)
- AKC, King's College London
- Awarded a number of university prizes including top overall marks in university in: second year LLB examinations, Property law, Tort law, IP law and Russian law
- Taught the law of trusts and wills at University College London
- Lincoln's Inn, Denning Scholar.
- Baker McKenzie Moot Competition, 1st place, King's (2011) – judged by Lord Clarke JSC

Memberships

- COMBAR
- Chancery Bar Association
- The Association of Pension Lawyers
- The Property Bar Association

Publications

- **AG v Rosenlund** [2016] JRC 062 & 078; [2016] Lloyd's Rep. 495 – case note and commentary (with Nicolas Medcroft)
- **Public Aspects of Pensions Law** [2017] (with Jonathan Hilliard QC)

Practice Overview

Jamie has a broad and busy practice that encompasses all of Chambers' work. He appears as sole counsel and as a junior in both the High Court and County Court, for instructing solicitors based across the country and internationally; with significant experience working day-to-day in teams based in multiple time zones around the world. His principle practice areas are in contentious and advisory work concerning:

- Pensions
- Commercial litigation, including Insolvency and Civil Fraud
- Property, including Landlord & Tenant
- Trusts, Estates & Probate
- Arbitration, including International Commercial Arbitration

Notable recent instructions in contentious matters include:

- Regularly appearing in the County and High court in:
 - company insolvency and bankruptcy matters;
 - property disputes, including landlord and tenant and possession claims of all kinds; and
 - commercial and procedural disputes of all kinds.
- Acting for Trustees in the pensions regulatory action concerning the Silentnight DB Scheme, which resulted in the recently reported decision of the Admin Court in **Grace Bay II Holdings Sarl v The Pensions Regulator** [2017] EWHC 7 (Admin); [2017] Pens L.R. 7 (with Jonathan Hilliard QC).
- Acting for claimants in an 8-day trial in US\$60m ICC proceedings in Singapore, as part of an international team based in both Asia and the United States, concerning claims for breach of contract in relation to a petrochemical plant (with Graeme Halkerston).
- Acting for defendants to £60m proceedings in the Commercial Court alleging liability under foreign law for preventing the enforcement of a US\$200m NAI arbitration award (with Elspeth Talbot Rice QC and Graeme Halkerston)

Practice Overview continued

- Acting for defendants to £13m civil fraud proceedings in the Companies Court arising out of an insolvency (with Marcia Shekerdermian QC).
- Acting for defendants in banking proceedings in Leeds District Registry of the Chancery Division arising out of a special administration pursuant to the Investment Bank Special Administration Regulations (with Nicholas Medcroft)-
- Acting for foreign government claimants in civil fraud asset recovery proceedings in the Commercial Court, including seeking orders for preservation of assets and evidence (with David Phillips QC and Nikki Singla QC)

Arbitration

Jamie has acted in a number of high value international arbitrations. He has experience of advising on all stages of the arbitration process, and in working day-to-day in teams based in multiple time zones around the world.

Although the details are confidential, the type of work Jamie has been involved in includes:

- Acting for claimants in an 8-day trial in US\$60m ICC proceedings in Singapore, as part of an international team based in both Asia and the United States, concerning claims for breach of contract in relation to a petrochemical plant.
- Advising claimants in UNCITRAL arbitration proceedings in HKIAC concerning trade mark breaches in China.
- Acting for claimants in a 2-day hearing in ICC proceedings on the preliminary issue of whether there had been an unreasonable withholding of consent to an assignment of the claims, which settled shortly before trial in 2017.
- Acting for claimants resisting a jurisdiction challenge.
- Advising on the appointment/removal of an arbitrator.
- Acting for party seeking to join further parties to extant ICC proceedings.
- Advising on the ability of a party to disclose the existence of arbitration proceedings to a third party as part of share sale negotiations.
- Acting for claimants in a costs dispute hearing in ICC proceedings.