



THE CHAMBERS OF
TIMOTHY RAGGATT QC

Benjamin Haseldine – Barrister

Called 2014

Ben welcomes instructions in all areas of Chambers' practice including general civil, personal injury, property, chancery and probate, housing, family, immigration, and regulatory law.

Ben studied Law at the University of Oxford and was called to the Bar by Inner Temple in 2014. Prior to joining Chambers, Ben worked as a researcher at a leading construction law chambers, and was a full-time tutor teaching property law, trusts law and environmental law to university students.

AREAS OF PRACTICE

General Civil

Ben has developed an extensive practice in civil matters, regularly appearing in the County Court and High Court in cases involving contractual disputes, personal injury, property damage and recovery of monies. He acts for both Claimants and Defendants in cases concerning both liability and quantum disputes. Ben has experience of making applications to strike out pleadings, to obtain relief from sanctions, and to set aside court orders. He also undertakes drafting and advisory work.

Property

Ben's practice covers all aspects of property law, and he welcomes instructions both in respect of drafting and Court work. Ben was recently instructed to oppose an order for sale of a property, making submissions in respect of set off and the Court's discretionary powers under section 36 of the Administration of Justice Act 1970. Ben has also recently advised as to whether an interim charging order should be sought against the

trustee of a charity in their personal capacity. Prior to joining 4KBW, Ben taught property law to undergraduates and post-graduates.

Chancery and Probate

Ben is regularly instructed in cases involving trusts, interests in land, and TLATA claims. He has both drafted and made applications in Court for declaratory relief, including a claim featuring international service. Ben was led in the High Court Chancery Division in a case centring on the interpretation of an oral agreement, and which involved arguments on estoppel and constructive trusts. Ben has recently provided advice as to the potential liability of a beneficiary to pay occupation rent following the death of a testator. Ben is also often instructed in claims under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependents) Act 1975.

Landlord and Tenant and Housing

Ben accepts instructions from private landlords, tenants, financial service providers and local authorities in claims for possession, forfeiture, or involving rent / service charge arrears, as well as other housing matters. He has appeared in the High Court in respect of an application to set aside an order staying the effect of a possession order, as well as in numerous County Court hearings.

Construction

Ben has been led in a number of high-profile construction arbitrations. Notably, Ben was led in an arbitration at the International Dispute Resolution Centre relating to the delay in completion of the fourth largest coal-fired power station in the world. Ben was also led in an arbitration relating to the delay in completion of the Nottingham tramline. Ben has experience of drafting pleadings in domestic construction disputes. Ben was one of the team of authors of 'Keating on Construction Contracts', the leading practitioners' book on construction law.

Family Law

Ben regularly acts in private law children proceedings including applications for Child Arrangements Orders, Prohibited Steps Orders and Specific Issue Orders. His experience includes dealing with vulnerable individuals and appropriately addressing allegations of domestic abuse and substance abuse. Recently, Ben has successfully opposed an application to prevent a father from moving to a different area with his child, and has succeeded in established regularised contact between parents and their children. Ben has acted for parties both seeking and resisting Non-Molestation Orders. Ben also accepts instructions in financial remedies cases, and has extensive experience of drafting in family matters.

Immigration

Ben is often instructed in immigration matters before the First-Tier Tribunal and Upper Tribunal. He has wide-ranging experience in appeal hearings and bail applications. Ben welcomes drafting and advisory work.

Regulatory Law

Ben sits as a Clerk to the Panel in school admission appeals.

Qualifications

Bar Professional Training Course, University of Law
BA Jurisprudence, University College, University of Oxford

Scholarships and Awards

ICLR Pupillage Award, Incorporated Council of Law Reporting
Duke of Edinburgh Entrance Award, Inner Temple
Major Exhibition, Inner Temple

Professional Memberships

Family Law Bar Association

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