

Began practice in January 1978. Practises in the fields of commercial law, international arbitration, European law and commercial judicial review. Extensive experience of arbitration, including ICSID disputes, both as counsel and as an arbitrator. LCIA and ICC Arbitrator. Fellow of the Australian Centre for International Commercial Arbitration (ACICA). Member of the International Panel of the Singapore International Arbitration Centre. Member of the arbitrators' panel of the Mauritius International Chamber of Commerce

In the **commercial law** field, he has experience of all types of banking and financial disputes, international trade, insurance, civil fraud and professional negligence.

In the field of **international arbitration**, he deals with all types of commercial disputes and represents parties in arbitration proceedings in England, Asia and elsewhere. He acts as arbitrator in all kinds of international arbitrations under ICC, LCIA and UNCITRAL rules and ad hoc arbitrations. In addition, he has experience in the mediation of commercial disputes.

In the **European law** field, he has appeared in over 20 cases in the European Court of Justice and CFI. He has also appeared in many cases in the domestic courts involving European law issues. Has a strong domestic and EU competition law practice.

In April 1991 appointed Queen's Counsel. In May 1997 appointed Recorder of the Crown Court. In September 2004 appointed Deputy High Court Judge in the Queen's Bench and Chancery Divisions.

Worked before coming to the Bar in law firms in Brussels and Paris. Admitted to the New York State Bar in 1985.

In July 2008 became the first London QC to open his own office in Singapore as an adjunct to his Chambers practice.

Education

The Haberdashers' Aske's School, Elstree, Herts
Downing College, Cambridge (1971-1974)
Double First Class Honours, M.A. Law
Université Libre de Bruxelles, Belgium (1975-1976)
Grande Distinction, European Law

Awards and scholarships

Downing College Scholar
Cambridge University Rebecca Flower Scholar
Wiener-Anspach Foundation Scholar 1975-1976
Leverhulme Trust European Studentship 1975-1976
Lincoln's Inn Hardwicke Scholar and Wigglesworth Scholar

Languages

Fluent in French and good knowledge of German and Spanish

Personal

Married with three young children. Lives in London but commutes regularly between London and Asia. His spare time is spent with his family. His interests include travel, languages and tennis.

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