

John Blackmore



YEAR OF CALL: 1983

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Practice Overview

John is a specialist commercial litigator with a wide practice in commercial dispute resolution, company law, shareholder matters, partnership disputes, civil fraud, restraint of trade, intellectual property law and professional negligence. He also established the Commercial and Chancery Practice Group at St John's Chambers.

Before joining Chambers, John was a partner in one of the largest commercial firms of barristers and solicitors in Auckland, New Zealand. His cases included acting as Counsel on behalf of the New Zealand Government appointed administrators in two major insolvencies of large financial services groups of companies, acting in a patent licensing arbitration in the USA and the defence of claims against a land development company which involved erosion of a seafront development.

Areas of Expertise

Commercial

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He enjoys a reputation as a leading advocate in company law, advising commercial clients and individuals on a range of matters.

John advises on all aspects of intellectual property law disputes, including related contractual and EC matters. He advises on copyright, trade marks, product branding and passing off and regularly appears in hearings on behalf of clients.

John has successfully acted in a large number of professional partnership disputes.

Company

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Recent work includes:

Blackmore v Richardson – shareholders dispute including order for sale of shares and purchase at fair value, the effect of the petitioner's misconduct.

William Stewart Ltd v Barclays Bank-claim by against the bank in respect of the mis-selling of interest rate swaps.

He is presently retained in a large company law case with claims against Defendants in undue influence, breach of fiduciary duty and professional negligence.

Intellectual Property

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Professional Negligence

John advises on professional negligence disputes and has acted for Claimants in the following cases:

- ▶ Coutts v Robinson Low Francis LLP
- ▶ Building Bridges for Business Ltd v Hulmark Hulme LLP
- ▶ Quartley v BLB

In addition, John is regularly retained by ARAG Ltd to advise on the prospects of success for the purposes of whether the Claimant should have the benefit of after the event insurance. The cases range from property disputes over development land adjacent to the Olympic Park, claims for a share of profits in a Monty Python film to a claim for commission for the placing of advertising on a F1 car.

Professional memberships:

- ▶ New Zealand Bar, Chancery Bar Association

Qualifications & awards:

- ▶ LLB (London); University of Auckland, New Zealand Bar Exams
- ▶ University of Bristol Post Graduate Certificate in UK and EU Competition Law



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