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Jade Fowler

Barrister
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Scope of Practice

• Arbitration • Banking and Financial Services • Commercial Litigation • Injunctions • Jurisdiction and Conflict of Laws • Group Litigation • Insolvency

Overview

Jade has a broad practice covering all areas of Chambers' work. She has worked on a range of commercial disputes including in areas such as banking, jurisdiction challenges, commercial litigation and arbitration. Jade has experience of working in counsel teams of various sizes and matters in her own right.

Recent and notable work includes:

- *Municipio de Mariana & Ors v BHP Group (UK) Ltd (formerly BHP Group PLC) and BHP Group Ltd*
  Acting (with Daniel Toledano KC, Shaheed Fatima KC, Victoria Windle KC, Nicholas Sloboda KC and others – instructed by Slaughter and May) for BHP in the high-profile group claim brought by c.700,000 claimants in relation to the collapse of the Fundão Dam in Brazil. The litigation has been repeatedly reported within The Lawyer's Top 20 cases. The 12-week first instance (TCC) trial of Stage 1 of the proceedings concluded in March 2025. Judgment of Mrs Justice O'Farrell is pending. Jade also acted for BHP in its jurisdiction challenge before the Court of Appeal
- *[2024] EWHC 1643 (Ch)*
  Acted (with Edmund Nourse KC, James Nadin and others – instructed by Eversheds Sutherland) for several UK water companies in group litigation concerning claims by c.100,000 claimants for restitution of over £150m for fees paid to the water companies for environmental searches purchased over a period of many years. The Claimants alleged that the water companies were obliged, under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, to provide information contained in the environmental searches for free. In June 2024, judgment was handed down in Stage 1 of the proceedings, with the Court finding for the Defendants on the vast majority of Stage 1 issues. The claims settled shortly thereafter.
- *Seiler & Ors v. The Financial Conduct Authority[2023] UKUT 133 (TCC)*
  Acted (with Ben Strong KC – instructed by Mishcon de Reya LLP) for a manager of a Swiss private bank, in a successful reference to the Upper Tribunal of a decision of the FCA's Regulatory Decisions Committee (RDC) to impose a prohibition order on the basis of alleged lack of integrity.
- *LCIA Proceedings (2024)*
  Acted (with Charles Graham KC and Joshua Crow – instructed by Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP) for the Respondent in resisting declaratory claims surrounding the termination of oil and gas production sharing contracts, and in a counterclaim for damages.
- *LCIA Proceedings (2021)*

Acted (with Charles Graham KC – instructed by Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP) for the Claimant (energy major) in a dispute concerning a claim for breach of contract and duty of obligations to disclose information under a JVA with the Defendant's European subsidiary company. The claim centred around the Claimant's purchase of a multinational oil and gas exploration and production company for $5.5 billion, in circumstances where the Defendant was pursuing an arbitration claim against the company in question for $8 billion.

Examples of Recent Cases

Arbitration

- LCIA Proceedings (2024)
  Acted (with Charles Graham KC and Joshua Crow – instructed by Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP) for the Respondent in resisting declaratory claims surrounding the termination of oil and gas production sharing contracts, and in a counterclaim for damages.
- LCIA Proceedings (2021)
  Acted for the Claimant (with Charles Graham KC) in a dispute concerning a claim for breach of contract and duty of obligations to disclose information under a joint venture agreement with the Defendant's European subsidiary company. The claim centred around the Claimant's purchase of a multinational oil and gas exploration and production company for $5.5 billion, in circumstances where the Defendant was pursuing an arbitration claim against the company in question for $8 billion

Banking and Financial Services

- Seiler v The Financial Conduct Authority
  Acting against the FCA (with Ben Strong KC) in a reference to the Upper Tribunal of a decision of the FCA's Regulatory Decisions Committee to impose a prohibition order on the basis of lack of integrity.

Commercial Litigation

Jade has significant large-scale and marquee trial experience in disputes across both litigation and international arbitration, as well as an advocacy and advisory practice in her own right. In the latter, she has acted in small claims trials, regulatory appeals, obtained strike outs, set aside default judgments, appeared in debt claims, in claims for the return of goods, in contractual claims (including those in the technology sector), and before the insolvency courts.

- *Municipio de Mariana & Ors v BHP Group (UK) Ltd (formerly BHP Group PLC) and BHP Group Ltd*
  Acting (with Daniel Toledano KC, Shaheed Fatima KC, Victoria Windle KC, Nicholas Sloboda KC and others – instructed by Slaughter and May) for BHP in the high-profile group claim brought by c.700,000 claimants in relation to the collapse of the Fundão Dam in Brazil. The litigation has been repeatedly reported within The Lawyer's Top 20 cases. The 12-week first instance (TCC) trial of Stage 1 of the proceedings concluded in March 2025. Judgment of Mrs Justice O'Farrell is pending. Jade also acted for BHP in its jurisdiction challenge before the Court of Appeal
- *Roman Pipia v. BGEO Group Limited*
  Acted (led by Camilla Bingham KC – instructed by Steptoe LLP) for a Georgian businessman (and owner of Dinamo Tbilisi Football Club), Roman Pipia in proceedings against the English branch of a Georgian financial institution. The 8-week Commercial Court trial, which settled shortly before its commencement, was reported as one of The Lawyer's Top 20 cases for 2021.
- Koza Ltd v Koza Altin
  Acted (with David Caplan) in an interim application in the long-running Koza litigation concerning the control of the corporate claimant.

Energy and Natural Resources

- *Municipio de Mariana & Ors v BHP Group (UK) Ltd (formerly BHP Group PLC) and BHP Group Ltd*
  Acting (with Daniel Toledano KC, Shaheed Fatima KC, Victoria Windle KC, Nicholas Sloboda KC and others – instructed by Slaughter and May) for BHP in the high-profile group claim brought by c.700,000 claimants in

relation to the collapse of the Fundão Dam in Brazil. The litigation has been repeatedly reported within The Lawyer's Top 20 cases. The 12-week first instance (TCC) trial of Stage 1 of the proceedings concluded in March 2025. Judgment of Mrs Justice O'Farrell is pending. Jade also acted for BHP in its jurisdiction challenge before the Court of Appeal

- LCIA Proceedings (2024)
  Acted (with Charles Graham KC and Joshua Crow – instructed by Quinn Emanuel Urquhart & Sullivan LLP) for the Respondent in resisting declaratory claims surrounding the termination of oil and gas production sharing contracts, and in a counterclaim for damages.
- LCIA Proceedings (2021)
  Acted for the claimant (with Charles Graham KC) in a dispute concerning a claim for breach of contract and duty of obligations to disclose information under a joint venture agreement with the Defendant's European subsidiary company. The claim centred around the Claimant's purchase of a multinational oil and gas exploration and production company for $5.5 billion, in circumstances where the Defendant was pursuing an arbitration claim against the company in question for $8 billion.

Group Litigation

- *Municipio de Mariana & Ors v BHP Group (UK) Ltd (formerly BHP Group PLC) and BHP Group Ltd*
  Acting (with Daniel Toledano KC, Shaheed Fatima KC, Victoria Windle KC, Nicholas Sloboda KC and others – instructed by Slaughter and May) for BHP in the high-profile group claim brought by c.700,000 claimants in relation to the collapse of the Fundão Dam in Brazil. The litigation has been repeatedly reported within The Lawyer's Top 20 cases. The 12-week first instance (TCC) trial of Stage 1 of the proceedings concluded in March 2025. Judgment of Mrs Justice O'Farrell is pending. Jade also acted for BHP in its jurisdiction challenge before the Court of Appeal
- *Surrey Searches Limited & Ors v Northumbrian Water Limited & Ors [2024] EWHC 1643 (Ch)*
  Acted (with Edmund Nourse KC, James Nadin and others – instructed by Eversheds Sutherland) for several UK water companies in group litigation concerning claims by c.100,000 claimants for restitution of over £150m for fees paid to the water companies for environmental searches purchased over a period of many years. The Claimants alleged that the water companies were obliged, under the Environmental Information Regulations 2004, to provide information contained in the environmental searches for free. In June 2024, judgment was handed down in Stage 1 of the proceedings, with the Court finding for the Defendants on the vast majority of Stage 1 issues. The claims settled shortly thereafter.

Injunctions

- Patel v Minerva Service Delaware, Inc and Ors
  Acted for the claimant (with Patrick Harty) in an application of an anti-suit injunction to restrain US arbitration proceedings.

Insolvency

- Successfully acted for a petitioner on a winding up petition.

Jurisdiction and Conflict of Laws

- *Municipio de Mariana & Ors v BHP Group (UK) Ltd (formerly BHP Group PLC) and BHP Group Ltd*
  Acting (with Daniel Toledano KC, Shaheed Fatima KC, Victoria Windle KC, Nicholas Sloboda KC and others – instructed by Slaughter and May) for BHP in the high-profile group claim brought by c.700,000 claimants in relation to the collapse of the Fundão Dam in Brazil. The litigation has been repeatedly reported within The Lawyer's Top 20 cases. The 12-week first instance (TCC) trial of Stage 1 of the proceedings concluded in March 2025. Judgment of Mrs Justice O'Farrell is pending. Jade also acted for BHP in its jurisdiction challenge before the Court of Appeal

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What the Directories Say

Chambers & Partners 2027 (Commercial Dispute Resolution) - "She is amazing in the way she comes in and gets on top of the facts incredibly quickly. She made my life easier."

Chambers & Partners 2027 (Commercial Dispute Resolution) - “Jade is always calm, focused and incredibly quick. Her attention to detail is excellent.”

Chambers & Partners 2027 (Commercial Dispute Resolution) - “Jade is extremely friendly, hardworking and a great asset to our team. She combines excellent technical ability with sound commercial judgement and is a pleasure to work with.”

Chambers & Partners 2027 (Commercial Dispute Resolution) - “Jade produces high-quality work and is extremely responsive.”

Chambers & Partners 2026 (Commercial Dispute Resolution) - "Jade Fowler is just brilliant and gets all over the detail very quickly. She is a great draftsperson who is really great to have on the team."

Chambers & Partners 2026 (Commercial Dispute Resolution) - "Jade Fowler is a hard-working and diligent junior."

Chambers & Partners 2025 (Commercial Dispute Resolution) - "Jade is an excellent junior. She is hard-working, very bright and hugely insightful. One to watch, she's already developed a robust advocacy style."

Education

- BPTC LLM, City Law School (Distinction) [2018-2019]
- University of Cambridge, BA Honours Law (First) [2014-2017]

Academic Achievements

- Baron Dr Ver Heyden de Lancey Prize, Middle Temple [2019]
- Scarman Scholarship, City Law School [2019]
- Certificate of Honour, Middle Temple [2019]
- Queen Mother’s Scholarship, Middle Temple [2018]
- Jennings Prize for first class mark in both Part IB and Part II of the Law Tripos at Wolfson College, University of Cambridge [2016 and 2017]
- Dato Ng Kong Yeam Prize for best first class mark in Part IA of the Law Tripos at Wolfson College, University of Cambridge [2015]

Awards

2027 Chambers Top Ranked UK Bar
One Essex Court

Legal500 TOP TIER SET 2025

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