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## Richard Mott

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## Scope of Practice

• Agency • Arbitration • Banking & Finance • Civil Fraud • Company and Insolvency • Energy and Natural Resources • Financial Services and Regulatory Law • Injunctions (including freezing orders and search orders, and orders for disclosure of information) • Jurisdiction and Conflict of Laws • Economic Torts • Sale of Goods and Supply of Goods and Services

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## Overview

**Richard Mott has a broad practice in commercial litigation and international arbitration (inc. LCIA, ICC and UNCITRAL rules). He has a particular focus on cases concerning civil fraud, banking and finance, energy, and general commercial disputes.**

He also has significant experience of seeking and resisting injunctive relief, and of jurisdiction challenges.

Richard is currently acting, amongst other cases: with Camilla Bingham KC, for the claimant in proceedings commenced in Bermuda arising out of an alleged unlawful means conspiracy to appropriate an interest in an African metals mine, claiming hundreds of millions of dollars; with Lord Wolfson KC, defending a fraud claim of \$280m and challenging jurisdiction; with Camilla Bingham KC, defending Morgan Stanley against an economic tort claim for €54 million brought by Frasers Group Plc; with Anna Boase KC, acting for an African bank resisting significant damages claims under a sale and purchase agreement; as sole counsel, for one of the defendants in the high-profile *Public Institution for Social Security v Al Rajaan & Ors*; and for the Financial Conduct Authority, in three confidential Enforcement cases involving alleged dishonesty and lack of integrity in relation to the pensions sector.

Richard has recently acted (with Laurence Rabinowitz KC, and leading Michael Watkins) in *Lopesan Touristik SA v Apollo European Principal Finance Fund* for the private equity defendants to a €93m claim under an Equity Commitment Letter; (with Adrian Beltrami KC, and leading Oscar Schonfeld and Sarah Tulip) for the defendants in *Berkeley Square Holdings v Lancer Property Asset Management*, resisting claims of over £60m arising out of the management of a £5bn London property portfolio owed by the President of the United Arab Emirates - the proceedings made new law on how without prejudice privilege applies to fraud claims: *[2020] EWHC 1015 (Ch)*, upheld

by the Court of Appeal judgment at [2021] EWCA Civ 551; and with Sa'ad Hossain KC, for the claimant in *Angelini Pharma SpA v Altmeyer and Ors*, advancing claims in excess of US\$30 million for misrepresentation and breach of warranty.

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## Examples of Recent Cases

### Agency

- **New England Technical Services Ltd v Sanmina-SCI Corporation**  
Acting (with Sa'ad Hossain QC) for the claimant in relation to a substantial claim under various provisions of the Commercial Agents (Council Directive) Regulations 1993.
- Acting for a German commercial agent in a dispute with its principal, an English fair trade clothing company.
- Advising (with Sa'ad Hossain QC) an electronics company on its rights under the Commercial Agents (Council Directive) Regulations 1993.
- Advising a Dutch clothing company on liability and quantum under the Commercial Agents (Council Directive) Regulations 1993.

### Arbitration

- **ICC Arbitration**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for a well-known expert advisory and consultancy firm, claiming a large amount from a leading ratings agency in respect of the provision of expert services in high-value litigation.
- **LCIA Proceedings**  
Acting (with David Wolfson QC and Gideon Cohen) in a dispute between the principal shareholders in one of the world's largest aluminium companies, relating to two multi-billion dollar transactions. The claim raised numerous issues of contract, company and economic tort law, as well as complex factual and expert issues.
- **LCIA Proceedings**  
Acting (with Daniel Toledano QC) for a Dubai-based telecommunications firm in relation to a joint venture for the provision of wireless communications services in the Gulf region, claiming against its joint venture partner for breach of contract and unlawful means conspiracy.
- **LCIA Proceedings**  
Acting (with Daniel Toledano QC) in respect of a claim arising under a terminated FX derivative contract.
- **UNCITRAL Proceedings**  
Acting (with Richard Boulton QC) in respect of an insurance claim by a multi-national commodities group under a fidelity policy.
- **LCIA Proceedings**  
Acting (with David Wolfson QC and Benjamin Strong) in respect of a claim arising under a terminated FX derivative contract arising under a terminated FX derivative contract

## Banking & Finance

Richard frequently advises on various types of derivatives governed by the 1992 and 2002 ISDA Master Agreements, covering issues such as contravention of local law and other potential Events of Default, the calculation of Loss and other consequences of default.

- **Lopesan Touristik SA v Apollo European Principal Finance Fund**  
Acting (with Laurence Rabinowitz QC and leading Michael Watkins) for the Defendants to a €93m claim under an Equity Commitment Letter arising out of the collapse of the sale of a Spanish hotel. The Defendants successfully resisted the Claimant's attempt to expedite the proceedings (*[2020] EWHC 2642 (Comm)* and *[2020] EWHC 2829 (Comm)*). Trial of certain preliminary issues took place in April 2021: *[2021] EWHC 2141 (Comm)*.
- **Eurosail-UK 2007-4BL Plc & Ors v Wilmington Trust SP Services (London) Ltd & Anr**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for the defendant corporate trustee, resisting an allegedly vexatious attack on a mortgage securitisation structure.
- **World First UK Ltd v Newstar Garments Ltd**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for the claimant financial company, seeking to enforce a close out amount of c.£1.8 million and resist a counterclaim for £4.4 million arising out of the alleged misselling of FX derivatives throughout a four year period.
- **Terra Firma Capital Partners Ltd v Andrew Géczy**  
Acting (with Thomas Linden QC) for the claimant private equity firm, enforcing a loan agreement against its former CEO in the context of the latter's dismissal for gross misconduct. The legal team secured a rapid conclusion to the dispute.
- **Euro Pacific Card Services Ltd v. Prepaid Financial Services Ltd**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for the claimant international banking group, claiming damages arising out of the wrongful termination of a pre-paid debit card processing agreement.
- **Lehman Brothers International (Europe) (in administration) v ExxonMobil Financial Services BV [2016] EWHC 2699 (Comm)**  
Acting (with Rhodri Davies QC) for the claimant company in administration, claiming significant sums from its counterparty to a securities repo. The judgment of Blair J is now the leading authority on the Global Master Repurchase Agreement (a market standard agreement which governs repo contracts worth many trillions of dollars at any given time), and in particular on the correct interpretation and application of its default valuation provisions.
- **Lamerdo Shipping Co Ltd v The Royal Bank of Scotland**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for RBS, defending a claim for breach of a facility agreement in the context of a sub-participation and subsequent elevation.
- **Mercuria Energy Trading Pte Ltd & Anr v Citigroup Global Markets Ltd and Citibank N.A. [2015] 1 CLC 999**  
Acting (with Daniel Toledano QC and leading Oliver Butler) for the defendants, resisting a claim for declaratory relief and counterclaiming for c.\$270 million under a series of repo transactions. The proceedings arose out of a substantial metals fraud alleged to have taken place in China, and raised numerous issues of banking law and sale of goods law.
- **Barclays Bank Plc v Svizera Holdings BV & Anr**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for Barclays Bank Plc in a \$38 million claim against an Indian pharmaceuticals group

under a Facility Agreement. As a result of developments during proceedings, obtained a worldwide freezing order against the defendants.

- Advising (with Lord Grabiner QC) on the effect of various provisions in a subordinated loan facility agreement relating to a permitted restructuring.

## Civil Fraud

- **The Tesco Profit Overstatement litigation**

Acting (with Neil Kitchener QC and leading Simon Gilson) for 58 institutional investors claiming over £440 million from Tesco Plc in respect of its profit overstatement revealed in Autumn 2014. The claim was made under s.90A of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (a statutory provision in respect of which there is no decided authority), and alleged fraudulent misrepresentations by Tesco senior management and their subordinates. The proceedings generated a string of reported judgments (*[2019] EWHC 109 (Ch)*, *[2019] EWHC 2858 (Ch)*, *[2019] EWHC 3312 (Ch)*), including one from a 4-day hearing where Richard appeared as the lead advocate (*[2019] EWHC 3315 (Ch)*). The judgment on the correct legal analysis of the intermediated securities market (*[2019] EWHC 2858 (Ch)*) has significant repercussions and has already been the subject of material academic commentary. The case was one of The Lawyer's "top cases for 2020".

- **Berkeley Square Holdings Ltd v Lancer Property Asset Management Ltd**

Acting (with Adrian Beltrami QC, and leading Oscar Schonfeld and Sarah Tulip) for the Defendants to fraud and bribery claims arising out of the management of a c.£6 billion London property portfolio ultimately owned by the President of the United Arab Emirates. The proceedings generated an important judgment of general importance on the exceptions to without prejudice privilege (*[2020] EWHC 1015 (Ch)*), upheld by the Court of Appeal at *[2021] EWCA Civ 551* and several interlocutory judgments on issues such as "control" for the purposes of disclosure: *[2021] EWHC 849 (Ch)*, *[2021] EWHC 818 (Ch)* and *[2021] EWHC 750 (Ch)*.

- **Public Institution for Social Security v Al Rajaa & Ors**

Acting (as sole counsel) for one of the De Picciotto defendants, the owning family behind the UBP international banking group. The claimant alleges a huge and long-running international fraud involving the payment of large bribes to its former CEO over two decades. More than US\$840m is claimed. The case was one of the Lawyer's "top cases for 2020".

- **JD Classics Ltd (in administration) v Hood and Goddard**

Acting (with David Cavender QC) for Mr Goddard, who is alleged to have dishonestly assisted and helped to conceal a huge fraud at one of England's largest classic car dealers and is sued for over £50m. The claim settled prior to trial.

- **Arcadia Petroleum Ltd & Ors v Bosworth & Ors [2017] EWHC 3160 (Comm)**

Acting (with Steven Thompson QC) for the Sixth Defendant to high-profile, c.\$330 million fraud proceedings arising out of West African oil trading. The litigation has already generated several reported judgments.

- **Ras Al Khaimah Investment Authority v Azima**

Acting (with Daniel Toledano QC) for a high-profile individual, resisting allegations of bad faith arising out of the sale of the Sheraton Hotel in Tbilisi, Georgia, and a proposed joint venture for the provision of reconnaissance and surveillance services.

- **Ivanbridge Company Corporation v Dessi & Anr**

Acting (with Sa'ad Hossain QC) for the defendants/respondents to a claim for misappropriation of substantial

trust assets and an accompanying freezing order. Applied to discharge the freezing order; the claim settled before that application was heard.

- **Prestige Carriages Ltd v Elite Sports Cars Ltd & Anr**

Acting for the claimant, obtaining ex parte delivery up, preservation and information orders in relation to a fleet of luxury cars.

- **Tidewater Marine International Inc v PhoenixTide Offshore Nigeria Ltd & Ors [2015] EWHC 2748 (Comm)**

Acting (with Sa'ad Hossain QC) for the individuals behind a Nigerian oil and gas services company, defending equitable and economic tort claims against them alleging that they had dishonestly assisted their company's breach of trust and procured its breach of a mandatory English court order.

- **Sloane House Ltd v Fleury & Ors**

Acting for the claimant, seeking to recover losses from fraud and the receipt of secret commissions in the context of a substantial construction project. Richard made multiple ex parte applications for freezing, asset disclosure, computer imaging, evidence preservation and passport delivery up orders. Richard then (with David Cavender QC) defended an application to discharge the freezing injunction; obtained summary judgment; and committed the defendant to prison for 9 months.

## Commercial Litigation

- **Lopesan Touristik SA v Apollo European Principal Finance Fund**

Acting (with Laurence Rabinowitz QC and leading Michael Watkins) for the Defendants to a €93m claim under an Equity Commitment Letter arising out of the collapse of the sale of a Spanish hotel. The Defendants successfully resisted the Claimant's attempt to expedite the proceedings (*[2020] EWHC 2642 (Comm)* and *[2020] EWHC 2829 (Comm)*). Trial of certain preliminary issues took place in April 2021: *[2021] EWHC 2141 (Comm)*.

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- **AML Creditor Recovery Vehicle PTC v Madison Pacific Trust Ltd & Ors**

Acting (David Wolfson QC) for the claimant, in proceedings commenced in Bermuda, arising out of an alleged unlawful means conspiracy to appropriate an interest in an African metals mine, claiming hundreds of millions of dollars.

- **EML Payments European Holdings Ltd v Moran & Ors**

Acting (as sole counsel) for the Defendants, seeking deferred earn-out consideration and resisting claims for breach of warranty alleged to be worth tens of millions of pounds.

- **Go Science Ltd (in liquidation) v Shell International Exploration and Production BV & Ors**

Acting (with David Wolfson QC) for the Defendant multinational group, defending a claim for US\$87 million.

The claimants allege a long-running conspiracy by the Shell Group and other related parties to harm the claimant through repeated breaches of financing and investment agreements and wrongful refusals to purchase shares and loan notes.

- **Rowe & Ors v Ingenious Media Holdings & Ors**

This is a market-leading professional negligence case by a large number of high net worth individuals (mainly footballers and other celebrities) arising out of the failure of the *Ingenious* tax avoidance schemes. Richard is acting for one of the main independent financial advisers which recommended the schemes.

- **World First UK Ltd v Newstar Garments Ltd**

Acting (as sole counsel) for the claimant financial company, seeking to enforce a close out amount of c.£1.8 million and resist a counterclaim for c.£4.4 million arising out of the alleged misselling of FX derivatives.

- **Cruz City 1 Mauritius Holdings Ltd v Unitech Ltd & Ors**

Acting (with Simon Colton QC) for the claimant in relation to various international enforcement proceedings. Intervened on behalf of the claimant to ensure that assets susceptible to enforcement were not dissipated in English litigation, and advised on steps to be taken in the Isle of Man, Cyprus and India.

- **Terra Firma Capital Partners Ltd v Andrew Gèczy**

Acting (with Thomas Linden QC) for the claimant private equity firm, enforcing a loan agreement against its former CEO in the context of the latter's dismissal for gross misconduct. The legal team secured a rapid conclusion to the dispute.

- **Blackstar Advisors Ltd v Cheyne Capital International Ltd & Anr**

Acting (with David Wolfson QC) for the claimant in proceedings for recovery of substantial historic and ongoing fees arising out of the introduction of financial investors to fund managers.

- **ICC Arbitration**

Acting (as sole counsel) for a well-known expert advisory and consultancy firm, claiming a large amount from a leading ratings agency in respect of the provision of expert services in high-value litigation.

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- **Mercuria Energy Trading Pte Ltd & Anr v Citigroup Global Markets Ltd and Citibank N.A. [2015] 1 CLC 999**

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## Company and Insolvency

- **Confidential Arbitration**

Acting (as sole counsel) for a major sports club, alleging that one of its directors was guilty of leaking confidential information and otherwise breaching his fiduciary duties. The case settled the evening before a 4-



day hearing.

- **LCIA Arbitration**

Acting (with David Wolfson QC and Gideon Cohen) in a dispute between the principal shareholders in one of the world's largest aluminium companies, relating to two multi-billion dollar transactions (LCIA Rules). The claim raised numerous issues of contract, company and economic tort law, as well as complex factual and expert issues.

- **Weaver Capital (UK) Ltd (in liquidation) v Peterson & Ors [2013] EWCA Civ 71**

Appearing in the Court of Appeal (as sole Counsel) for one of claimant hedge fund's former directors, challenging the trial Judge's findings of breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract and negligence arising out of the high-profile collapse of Weaver Capital due to the fraud of its CEO.

- **Japan Lifestyle Ltd & Ors v Yip Fai Liu & Ors**

Acting (as sole counsel) for a member of an unincorporated association in an action against trustees for an account, in the context of allegedly wrongful diversion of trust funds

- **James C Penny (Estate Agents) Ltd v James Penny & Ors**

Acting (as sole counsel) for the claimant company against its former managers who were alleged to have deprived it of substantially the whole of its business. Claims included breach of fiduciary duty, breach of confidence, passing off and conversion. Obtained substantial pre-action injunctive relief.

## Energy and Natural Resources

- **Go Science Ltd (in liquidation) v Shell International Exploration and Production BV & Ors**

Acting (with David Wolfson QC) for the Defendant multinational oil and gas companies, defending a claim for US\$87 million.

- **Clermont Energy Partners LLP v SDP Services Ltd**

Acting (with David Wolfson QC) for an oilfield services company in respect of dealings with two Nigerian oil blocks.

- **Tullow Uganda Ltd v Heritage Oil and Gas Ltd & Anr [2013] EWHC 1656 (Comm); [2014] EWCA Civ 1048**

Acting (with David Wolfson QC) for the claimant in a \$313m claim concerning various petroleum exploration and development rights. The claim resulted in a 3-week Commercial Court trial and a two day Court of Appeal hearing.

- Advising an oil company on its rights under a sale and purchase agreement.

- **Tidewater Marine International Inc v Phoenix Tide Offshore Nigeria Ltd & Ors**

Acting (with Sa'ad Hossain QC) for the individuals behind a Nigerian oil and gas services company.

- **Rockover Energy Ltd & Ors v Les Etablissements Maurel et Prom S.A.**

Acting (as sole counsel) for the claimants, which had sold their rights in two petroleum exploration areas in Gabon to the defendant oil company.

- **ICC Arbitration**

Advising (as sole counsel) one of the world's largest engineering and electronics companies in an arbitral claim against one of the world's largest natural gas companies.

## Injunctions (including freezing orders and search orders, and orders for disclosure of

## information)

- **Air Arabia PJSC v Arif Masood Naqvi**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for the applicant, obtaining permission to enforce three DIAC arbitral awards in England and a supporting worldwide freezing injunction.
- **Red Fort Capital Inc v Lockton Companies LLP**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for the Respondent international insurer, resisting a pre-action disclosure application in the context of fraud allegations.
- **Terre Neuve SARL v HSBC Bank Plc**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for the claimant. Obtained an urgent Norwich Pharmacal / Bankers Trust order so that those responsible for misappropriation of c.€9 million could be identified.
- **Arcadia Petroleum Ltd & Ors v Bosworth & Ors [2017] EWHC 3160 (Comm)**  
Acting (with Steven Thompson QC) for the Sixth Defendant to high-profile, c.\$330 million fraud proceedings arising out of West African oil trading. Applied to discharge the freezing order on a variety of grounds.
- **Barclays Bank Plc v Svizera Holdings BV & Anr**  
Obtaining (as sole counsel) a worldwide freezing order in the sum of \$38 million, during the course of ongoing proceedings.
- **GIA v Law and Anr**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for the applicant, obtaining search and computer imaging orders in a misuse of confidential information and misappropriation of assets case.
- **Ivanbridge Company Corporation v Dessi & Anr**  
Acting (with Sa'ad Hossain QC) for the defendants/respondents to a claim for misappropriation of substantial trust assets and an accompanying freezing order. Applied to discharge the freezing order; the claim settled before that application was heard.
- **Sloane House Ltd v Fleury & Ors**  
Obtaining (as sole counsel) on multiple occasions freezing, asset disclosure, computer imaging, evidence preservation and passport delivery up orders.
- **Tidewater Marine International Inc v PhoenixTide Offshore Nigeria Ltd & Ors**  
Acting (with Sa'ad Hossain QC) for the individual respondents to a worldwide freezing order in respect of their application to vary the order and permit access to substantial sums held in Switzerland (reported at [2015] EWHC 2748 (Comm)), and in respect of their applications challenging jurisdiction and seeking the discharge of the freezing order.
- **Prestige Carriages Ltd v Elite Sports Cars Ltd & Anr**  
Obtaining (as sole counsel) urgent delivery up, preservation and information orders in relation to a fleet of luxury cars.
- **Clermont Energy Partners LLP v SDP Services Ltd**  
Acting (with David Wolfson QC) for an oilfield services company, the respondent to a pre-action disclosure application arising out of dealings in respect of two Nigerian oil blocks.
- **National Grid Gas Plc v National Westminster Bank Plc**  
Acting (as sole counsel) for the claimant. Obtained an urgent Norwich Pharmacal order to allow the recipients of c.£1.2 million to be identified following a phishing scam.



- **Jackson Lifts v Billingsley**

Acting (as sole counsel) for the claimant. Obtained an urgent Norwich Pharmacal order against a senior employee

## Jurisdiction and Conflict of Laws

- **Lopesan Touristik SA v Apollo European Principal Finance Fund**

Acting (with Laurence Rabinowitz QC and Michael Watkins) for the Defendants, applying a stay under Article 30 of Brussels Recast in the context of successfully resisting the Claimant's attempt to expedite the proceedings (*[2020] EWHC 2642 (Comm)* and *[2020] EWHC 2829 (Comm)*).

- **Tidewater Marine International Inc v Phoenix Tide Offshore Nigeria Ltd & Ors [2015] EWHC 2748 (Comm)**

Acting (with Sa'ad Hossain QC) for the individual defendants in respect of their applications challenging jurisdiction on the basis of foreign governing law.

- **Bullimore v Northern and Western Insurance Company**

Acting (as sole counsel) for the Caribbean-domiciled defendant contesting English jurisdiction. The application involved numerous conflict of laws and jurisdiction issues and culminated in a 1-day hearing.

- **New England Technical Services Ltd v Sanmina-SCI Corporation**

Acting (with Sa'ad Hossain QC) for the claimant in relation to permission to serve out of the jurisdiction, relying on the mandatory application of the Commercial Agents (Council Directive) Regulations 1993.

- Advising (with David Wolfson QC) foreign introducing agents in respect of jurisdiction and conflict of laws issues arising in respect of their tortious and contractual claims against a number of European financial institutions and individuals. Advising (with Neil Kitchener QC) potential foreign claimants in respect of complex jurisdictional and governing law issues arising out of allegedly negligent financial advice

## Financial Services and Regulatory Law

- **Financial Conduct Authority v Tinney [2019] UKUT 0227 (TCC)**

Acting (with Benjamin Strong QC and as sole advocate) for the Authority in high-profile Upper Tribunal proceedings seeking to uphold and extend the prohibition and public censure orders made by the Authority against a former senior Barclays banker for lack of integrity.

- **Terra Firma Capital Partners Ltd v Andrew Gèczy**

Acting (with Thomas Linden QC) for the claimant private equity firm against its former CEO in the context of the latter's dismissal for gross misconduct. The case raised issues of regulatory, banking and employment law. The legal team secured a rapid conclusion to the dispute.

- **World First UK Limited v Newstar Garments Ltd**

Acting (as sole counsel) for the claimant financial company, seeking to enforce a close out amount of c.£1.8 million and resist a counterclaim for c.£4.4 million arising out of the alleged misselling of FX derivatives in breach of various COBS obligations.

- Acting for the FCA (with Rory Phillips QC) in relation to The Prudential Assurance Company Ltd's domestication of its long-term insurance business carried on in Hong Kong.

- Advising the FSA (with Ian Glick QC) on the rights and interests of with-profits policyholders in the with-profits fund of proprietary and mutual insurance companies.

- Advising the FSA (with Ian Glick QC) on the FSA's rule-making powers in relation to the with-profits fund of a proprietary life insurance company.
  - Advising two structured product issuers (with Daniel Toledano QC) on their compliance with the FSA's rules on financial promotion.
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## What the Directories Say

*"Richard Mott is intellectually very sound, pragmatic and he drafts well. He's just somebody who rolls his sleeves up and gets on it with it."* (Chambers & Partner 2024, Banking & Finance)

*"Richard Mott shows great attention to detail, and is both tactical in his thinking and strategic in his advice."* (Chambers & Partners 2024, Commercial Dispute Resolution)

*"Richard Mott writes very effectively."* (Chambers & Partners 2024, Commercial Dispute Resolution)

*"He's got a very strong future. He's intellectually very sound, pragmatic and drafts well."* (Chambers & Partner 2024, Civil Fraud)

*"Richard is strategic and tactical in his advice, with great attention to detail. He has a great manner and delivery of his advice."* (Chambers & Partner 2024, Civil Fraud)

*"He is very good: very precise, measured, clear and persuasive."* (Chambers & Partner 2024, Civil Fraud)

*'Excellent intellect, great judgement, great at keeping solicitors informed and proactively updating on timing, great with clients, very adept at going through voluminous materials.'* (Legal 500 2024, Banking & Finance)

*"Richard has a superb sense for how disputes will develop and the tactical considerations at play", "he is always looking to come up with a new angle to assist the client"; and "his energy and good humour was vital to getting the clients to trust him. He is an innovative thinker and a pleasure to work with".* (Chambers and Partners 2023, Commercial Dispute Resolution, Banking & Finance, and Fraud)

*"Richard is a blessing to the team. He rolls his sleeves up, has tenacious grasp of the facts, is strategic and considered in his outlook. He's personally very pleasant to work with and fantastic in ability. His advocacy is precise, focused and highly effective".* (Legal 500 2023, Banking & Finance and Civil Fraud)

*"Has a huge brain and is exceptionally good on strategy and tactics. He has a very good eye for pressure tactics in litigation, which clients really appreciate. He also drafts very eloquently".* (Chambers & Partner 2022, Commercial Dispute Resolution)

*"He is excellent. He has a super work ethic and a real talent for putting a case persuasively both in writing and on his feet" and "He is very reliable, creative and a tenacious junior".* (Chambers & Partner 2022, Banking & Finance)

*"He is good on strategy and at getting on top of the facts. He's also a very good draftsman"; "He's all over the detail, very knowledgeable, user-friendly, practical and incredibly hard-working".* (Chambers & Partner 2022, Civil Fraud)

Richard is "A brilliant strategic thinker. Always makes himself available and is ready to roll his sleeves up" (Legal 500 2022, Civil Fraud)

"As well as being a great tactician, he is all over the detail of a case" (Legal 500 2022, Banking & Finance)

Over the last few years the directories have recommended him as "a smooth advocate with a very compelling style", "very collaborative and fiercely bright", and "a confident junior who is undaunted by handling complex and lengthy hearings in fraud matters against silks".

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## Education

[2000 - 2003] Christ's College, Cambridge: BA, History (First Class)

[2004 - 2005] City University: CPE (Commendation)

[2005 - 2006] Inns of Court School of Law: BVC (Outstanding)

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## Awards



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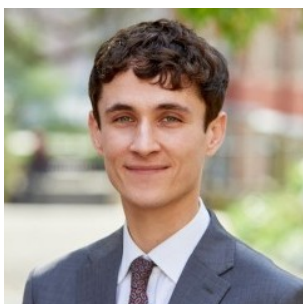


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