

John Ditchburn



John has an international commercial practice encompassing commercial litigation, insurance, banking and finance, insolvency, property and aviation and travel. He provides clear and focused advice on a range of legal, practical and procedural issues in contentious and non-contentious matters. His experience of litigation is vast, combining regular advocacy with drafting and advisory work. He also deals with international arbitration and alternative dispute resolution, including mediation.



Further information

Qualifications

- Honourable Society of the Middle Temple: admitted 2005, called 2007
- Inns of Court School of Law: Bar Vocational Course: 2007
- Brasenose College, University of Oxford: BA Law: 2006

Memberships

- Commercial Bar Association
- Chancery Bar Association



Commercial

John is experienced in dealing with commercial matters from straightforward debt recovery to high-value cross-border litigation. His thorough and pragmatic approach to problem solving, combined with a detailed knowledge of civil procedure and experience across a variety of areas of law enables him to provide innovative and practical solutions to difficult problems. His practice includes all aspects of litigation, with a substantial element of courtroom advocacy, from urgent applications for injunctions to lengthy trials with numerous witnesses. He provides advice on contentious and non-contentious matters and deals with forms of dispute resolution other than litigation, including mediation and arbitration.

Year of Call: 2007

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John is regularly instructed in insurance disputes and has particular expertise in trade credit and aviation insurance.

Related Cases

Re C (in liquidation): John represents several companies in claims by a liquidator for the recovery of allegedly void payments totalling millions of pounds.

H v U: A claim brought under a profit share agreement between individuals and companies domiciled in England and Wales and abroad, relating to the development of several properties in Italy.

M v G: Two claims involving four parties arising out of an agreement to transfer the rights in a patent application, involving allegations of malicious falsehood and breach of contract.

BCS Corporate Acceptances Ltd and others v Taylor and Drewett [2016] EWHC 533 (QB): An application for a freezing injunction against the wife of a judgment debtor, which John successfully resisted, and subsequent claim involving trusts and section 423 of the Insolvency Act 1986.

DM Deals LLC v Amazon.co.uk Limited [2016] EWHC 1520 (Comm): John represented the claimant in a claim valued at over \$37 million against Amazon.

G v L: A claim for land introduction and sales and marketing fees, in which John obtained judgment following a three-day trial and subsequently opposed the defendant's costs appeal to the Court of Appeal.

P v B: John represented a statutory body in a claim and mediation relating to licences to retain works in the River Thames.

A v R: John obtained judgment and indemnity costs against a company and its director over the non-payment of tax on the importation of a Ferrari and subsequently dealt with various issues relating to enforcement and costs, including obtaining a freezing injunction, charging order and order for sale.

