

# Ben Doyle



Since joining Chambers in May 2018, Ben has developed a busy practice across a broad range of civil and commercial work, with a particular focus on property and commercial law.

Ben accepts instructions for advice, drafting and advocacy at all stages of the litigation process. Ben has extensive courtroom experience and has attended over three thousand hearings across a wide range of civil litigation.

Before embarking on his legal career, Ben co-founded an award-winning start-up company in Switzerland. He believes that his experiences in the business world help him to approach cases in a commercial way and to give practical advice.

Ben is friendly and approachable and can explain complex legal matters in simple terms. He is happy to have a chat about a case before accepting formal instructions.

Ben is authorised to accept instructions directly from lay clients, under the Bar Council's direct public access scheme.



**Year of Call: 2013**

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## Further information

### Qualifications

- University of Cambridge: MA (Hons)
- University of Sussex: Graduate Diploma in Law (Distinction)
- BPP Law School: Bar Professional Training Course (Very Competent, 84%)
- McMahon Studentship, St John's College (Cambridge)

### Memberships

Property Bar Association

### Interests

Ben's main interests are good food and drink, sport (especially football, cricket and tennis), travel and walking his dog in the country. He is an enthusiastic cook and enjoys baking sourdough bread and pizzas.

### Property

Ben regularly acts for landlords in residential and



commercial landlord and tenant cases including assured, secured, non-secured, regulated and non-regulated tenancies, involving issues such as validity and service of notices, compliance with prescribed requirements, deposit protection, disrepair and dilapidations and leasehold disputes (including in the First-Tier Tribunal) involving reasonableness of service charges, breach and extension of lease and forfeiture and waiver. Ben is also experienced in mortgage possession cases and urgent trespass cases (including in the High Court).

In addition Ben regularly acts in neighbour disputes in the county court and First-Tier Tribunal involving trespass, nuisance, disputed boundaries, adverse possession, covenants and easements and land registration.

Ben also advises and acts on appeals under the Party Wall etc. Act 1996 and is regularly instructed to recover surveyors' fees in the Magistrates' Court and the County Court. Ben also has experience in dealing with TOLATA matters.

Ben is a member of the Property Bar Association (PBA).

### **Examples of recent work**

- Ben successfully acted for the applicant in a boundary dispute in the Property Chamber of the First-Tier Tribunal via the direct access scheme and then successfully represented the same client on appeal in the Upper Tribunal.
- Ben acted for executors of an estate in TOLATA proceedings and successfully obtained an order for sale.
- Ben drafted pleadings in a high value mortgage possession claim.
- Ben advised on a neighbour dispute involving breach of covenant, easements, trespass and nuisance via the public access scheme.
- Ben drafted pleadings on a neighbour dispute involving trespass, nuisance, return of deposit, unjust enrichment and proprietary estoppel/constructive trust.
- Ben successfully represented the claimant and obtained declaratory relief in a fractious neighbour dispute via the public access scheme.
- Ben advised on a disrepair claim and drafted pleadings.
- Ben obtained judgment and costs in a long-running service charge dispute.
- Ben acted for the landlord in a case involving a service charge dispute and appointment of a manager.
- Ben advised on a hoarding dispute and represented the landlord in a mediation.
- Ben acted in a complex party wall appeal in the TCC



division.

- Ben obtained possession for a commercial landlord in contested forfeiture proceedings.

