

WARREN BANK

Year of call: 2014

Clerked by: Louise Barnes Luke Heywood

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

Arbitration Banking & Finance Commercial Litigation
Insolvency Technology & Construction



Banking & Finance

Profile

Warren transferred to the UK in January 2016 after practicing for 19 years at the Johannesburg Bar as an Advocate of the High Court of South Africa. During his almost two-decades in practice Warren enjoyed a wide-ranging practice encompassing all aspects of commercial litigation.

Warren has been frequently instructed in High Court disputes involving complex property and commercial leasing disputes, as well as banking and financial services in the telecommunications industry. In South Africa Warren was frequently instructed on behalf of some of the largest mining companies in the world to advise and act in large-scale industrial disputes and developed a niche employment law practice focusing on collective bargaining and redundancy disputes. From 2013 he was invited to be an Acting (part-time) Judge in the Labour Court of South Africa (equivalent to a High Court Judge) and has written several important reported judgments.

Warren has substantial experience in appellate advocacy at the highest levels, as well as an extensive familiarity with urgent High Court applications, injunctions and freezing orders in all areas of commercial, insolvency and property law.

Year of Call: 1997 (South Africa)

Year of Call UK: 2014

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Memberships

Member of the British Irish Commercial Bar Association (BICBA)

Associate member of R3 -Association of Business Recovery Professionals

Gray's Inn.

Commercial Bar Association

Chancery Bar Association.

Previously, various sub-committees of the Johannesburg Bar Council.

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Publications

A new dawn for international arbitration in South Africa? - May 2017 - Thomson Reuters Arbitration Blog. <http://arbitrationblog.practicallaw.com/a-new-dawn-for-international-arbitration-in-south-africa/>

Should I stay or should I go? (Kean v Lucas (as liquidator of J&R Builders (Norwich) Ltd)) -November 2016 - LexisNexis R&I Blog. How should a liquidator handle a request for his removal under section 177 of the Insolvency Act 1986 (IA 1986) and the Insolvency Rules 1986 (IR 1986)?

Validity of appointment and costs of administration—application of Duomatic principle (Re BW Estates Ltd, Randhawa v Turpin) LexisPSL Restructuring & Insolvency Monthly Highlights - September 2016.

“Commercial Bribery: Reconsidering the Juridical Basis for the Principal’s Remedies against the Briber” published in 1997 (60) THRHR at 461-477 (South Africa).

Since 2012 - Warren has been editor of the South African Chapter (Chapter 23) for the international legal publication *“Enforcement of Foreign Judgments”* published by Kluwer Law International, Amsterdam and bi-annual updates.

Appointments

2013 - 2015 Appointed as Acting Judge of the Labour Court of South Africa (4 appointments)

Qualifications

2016 SEC International Advanced Advocacy Training Course - Keble College, Oxford

2014 Bar Transfer Test - BPP University, London. Obtained highest mark (97%) in Oral Advocacy

1997 Admitted as Advocate of the High Court of South Africa and also admitted in Botswana and Namibia

1997 LLB (University of South Africa) - 9 individual subject distinctions including International Trade and Shipping Law, Conflict of Laws and Transnational Business Law

1996 Juta Law Prize for Best LLB Dissertation

1990 Bachelor of Commerce (Economics and Business Finance) -University of the Witwatersrand, Johannesburg