

ANDREW GRANTHAM QC

Year of call: 1991

Clerked by: Gary Young Harry Young

AREAS OF EXPERTISE:

Arbitration Banking & Finance Civil Fraud Company Dispute
Resolution Insurance International Private Client, Trusts and
Probate Professional Negligence



Professional Negligence

Andrew is frequently instructed on cases, involving professional negligence claims against accountants, construction professionals, financial practitioners, insurance brokers and surveyors. Examples of claims in which Andrew has acted include the following:

- A claim on behalf of the insured against underwriters and an insurance broker for over £1.5m arising out of an alleged non- disclosure of material events
- A claim against an insurance broker for over £3 million for failing to inform the underwriters of convictions for Trading Standards offences and for completing proposal forms without referring to such convictions as a consequence of which the underwriters avoided flood damage cover
- A claim against a solicitor for approximately £500,000 arising out of his failure to note the existence of 2 leases registered against the title of the freehold blocks of flats acquired by the client and subsequent conduct of the consequential legal proceedings
- A claim against a solicitor for £1m who gave negligent advice as to the merits of investing that sum in a start-up hotel business
- A claim for approximately £500,000 against an animal feed expert who gave negligent advice as to a mineral supplement to be used as an element in bovine feed
- *Halsall v Champion Consulting Ltd* [2017] EWHC 1079 (QB), [2017] P.N.L.R. 32: claim against former tax advisers for damages for negligent advice in respect of tax avoidance schemes

Profile

Andrew practises almost exclusively in Commercial and Chancery Dispute Resolution including Arbitration and International Disputes. He also undertakes some non-contentious work.

He was called to the Bar following a short career as a full time law lecturer at Wadham College, Oxford and part time lecturer at King's College, London.

Andrew specialises in cases of high value and considerable complexity. He has particular expertise in contractual and corporate disputes and regularly appears against QCs and other senior junior Counsel. His clients include banks and major public companies as well as a number of smaller manufacturing and other companies and professional firms.

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Areas of Expertise

Arbitration

Banking & Finance

Civil Fraud

Company

Dispute Resolution

Insurance

International

Private Client, Trusts and Probate

Memberships

Northern Circuit Commercial Bar Association

COMBAR

Northern Chancery Bar Association

Chancery Bar Association

Professional Negligence Bar Association

British and Irish Commercial Bar Association (Treasurer)

Publications

Commercial Litigation Pre Emptive Remedies (Sweet & Maxwell)

Appointments/ Qualifications

St Catherine's College, Oxford: BA 1988 (Jurisprudence), BCL 1989, MA 1997

Chartered Institute of Arbitrators: Fellow 2001

Recommendations

Legal 500, 2020

"Instils complete confidence in clients."

Chambers UK 2020

"He knows everything about everything; he is incredibly clever. He is great at getting to the heart of matters from a legal point of view, makes everything clear and concise and judges love him." "He is very intelligent and knows everything about the law. He is safe and reliable - you can trust his advice."

Chancery "Super bright and very responsive." "He is very detailed."

"He is extremely thorough, knowledgeable and approachable." "He is a technically excellent and vigorous advocate. Clients immediately respect and trust his advice." "He has a fantastic mind and an extraordinary eye for detail."

Chambers UK 2019

"Extremely diligent, always fully prepared, and someone who gives very good, straightforward advice. "

"He is very thorough and really gets to know the ins and outs of cases." "He is very capable and is always able to make the best of difficult situations."

Legal 500 2019

"Very dedicated and extremely hard working."

Chambers UK 2018

"A fiery advocate."

"He has marvellous attention to detail. If there is a document-heavy and complex piece of litigation, he is very well suited to it. He never lets you down." "He is thorough, knowledgeable and approachable."

Legal 500 2018

"He is remarkably thorough and has a real eye for detail."

Chambers UK 2017

"A very brainy lawyer who always fights very hard for his client." "His written work and advice is always to a very high standard."

"An untiring and tenacious barrister." "He is extremely bright and offers a high standard of client service as well as sound, technical and commercial advice."

Legal 500 2017

"Always well prepared and conscientious with clients."

Chambers UK 2016

"A very proactive, quick and efficient practitioner."

"He is extremely thorough and an excellent advocate with a very good understanding of the law."

"He is very knowledgeable and gives good, concise advice."



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