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Anthony Jones has a broad practice in commercial law, professional liability, international arbitration, public international law, and human rights. Anthony has extensive experience before domestic and international tribunals, with current and recent cases before the Supreme Court, Court of Appeal, the European Court of Human Rights, the EU Courts, and ICSID arbitral tribunals, as well as in a range of offshore jurisdictions (Antigua, Barbados, the Isle of Man, and St Vincent and the Grenadines).

In recent years, Anthony has acted in a number of important cases, led and unled, including:

- ***Financial Conduct Authority v MS Amlin and others*** (2020) – currently acting for Royal & Sun Alliance in the Commercial Court in the high-profile litigation regarding business interruption insurance responses to the Covid-19 pandemic
- ***Re Edwardian Group Ltd*** [2018] EWHC 1715 (Ch) – acted for the successful minority shareholder in a £140 million seven-week unfair prejudice petition regarding one of the UK’s largest hotel groups
- ***Khanty-Mansiysk Recoveries Ltd v Forsters LLP*** [2018] EWCA Civ 89 and [2016] EWHC 522 (Comm) – acted for the successful defendant to a £75 million claim arising out of investments in Russia (one of *The Lawyer’s* Top 20 Cases)
- ***BPE Solicitors v Hughes-Holland*** [2017] 2 WLR 1029 (UKSC) – part of the successful appellant’s team in this ground-breaking Supreme Court case concerning the SAAMCo approach to the scope of professional duties
- ***R (Campaign Against Arms Trade) v Secretary of State for International Trade*** [2019] 1 WLR 5765 (CA) and [2017] EWHC 1754 (Admin) – acted at first instance and on appeal for leading NGOs in the challenge to UK arms exports to Saudi Arabia for use in Yemen (one of *The Lawyer’s* Top 20 Cases)
- ***Wikimedia v Turkey*** (European Court of Human Rights, 2019-20) – acting for Wikimedia in the challenge to the Turkish government’s decision to block access to Wikipedia
- ***Hanan v Germany*** (European Court of Human Rights, 2019-20) – acting before the Grand Chamber in this significant case on the extraterritorial application of the European Convention to airstrikes in Afghanistan
- C-458/19 P ***ClientEarth v European Commission*** (CJEU, 2018-20) – acting as sole counsel in the EU General Court and on appeal to the CJEU in a challenge to the European Commission chemical regulation scheme on the grounds of non-compliance of EU law with the UN Aarhus Convention



Anthony is recognised by Legal 500 as a leading junior in Civil Liberties and Human Rights for '*the quality of his research, legal judgement and drafting is consistently excellent. Clients rightly jump at the chance to instruct him*' (2021); his '*unparalleled ability to digest a significant amount of complex information in a short period of time, and develop insightful and compelling arguments*' (2020) and for being '*impressive with clients and skilled at finding a compromise.*' In 2019 he was appointed a member of the Equality and Human Rights Commission Panel of Counsel. Anthony is also recognised by the Legal 500 as a leading junior in Professional Negligence '*He cuts through difficult problems with neat legal solutions and works brilliantly as part of a wider team*' (2021).

## Qualifications & Memberships

Anthony holds a BA in Law with First Class Honours and various prizes from University College, Oxford. He also holds an MA and BA in Classical Chinese with First Class Honours and the University Medal (first in year) from the University of Sydney, and a Diploma in Chinese from Beijing Yuyan Daxue (University of Languages and Cultures). Anthony was ranked Outstanding on the BPTC, for which he held the top scholarship from Middle Temple.

## Previous Experience

Prior to coming to the bar, Anthony worked for five years in politics in Australia, acting as special advisor to the Foreign Minister, Premier of New South Wales, and Attorney General of New South Wales.

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# Areas of Expertise

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## Commercial

Anthony has a thriving practice across a broad range of commercial litigation, with specialisms in offshore finance, company disputes, and international sale of goods claims.

He is frequently led in the Court of Appeal and Commercial Court, and frequently acts as sole counsel in the QBD and Chancery Division. Anthony often deals with claims arising out of offshore financial disputes: recent work includes substantial claims brought by and against liquidators of failed offshore banks in Antigua (*Stanford International Bank*) and St Vincent and the Grenadines (*Re Horizon Bank*), a substantial Isle of Man claim involving alleged fraud by fund managers (*JP SPC v Turnstone and Peacock*), and advising the investors' committee acting on behalf of thousands of pension holders claiming against two Isle of Man life insurance groups.

Anthony has a wide experience of company claims, recently acting in the *Re Edwardian Group* claim and as sole counsel in the Chancery Division in a multi-million pound dispute regarding beneficial ownership of shares following a series of nominee and allegedly fraudulent transfers.

Recent cases include:

- *Financial Conduct Authority v MS Amlin and others* (2020) – currently acting (with David Turner QC) in the Commercial Court in the high-profile litigation regarding business interruption insurance responses to the Covid-19 pandemic
- Pensions class action in Isle of Man – acting (with Graham Chapman QC) on behalf of thousands of pension holders claiming against two Isle of Man insurance groups
- *Perkier Foods Ltd v Halo Foods Ltd* [2019] EWHC 292 (QB) and [2019] EWHC 3462 (QB) – acted (with Dan Saoul QC)

in successful injunctive relief and committal proceedings arising out of breach of manufacture and supply agreements

- **Re Edwardian Group Ltd** [2018] EWHC 1715 (Ch); [2019] 1 BCLC 171 – acted (with Justin Fenwick QC) in a successful seven-week £140 million unfair prejudice petition regarding one of the largest hotel groups in the UK
- **Khanty-Mansiysk Recoveries v Forsters LLP** [2018] EWCA Civ 89 and [2016] EWHC (Comm) – acted (with Jamie Smith QC) for the successful defendant to a £75 million claim arising out of investments in Russia (one of *The Lawyer's* Top 20 Cases)
- **Re Horizon Bank** (Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court, 2018) – acted (with Justin Fenwick QC) defending proceedings brought against the liquidator of an offshore bank in St Vincent and the Grenadines
- **McGill v Sports and Entertainment Media Group** (QBD, 2017) – acted (with Rick Liddell QC) for the successful claimant in a million pound claim relating to football agents' commission payments on a Premier League transfer
- **JP SPC v Turnstone and Peacock** (Isle of Man Court of Appeal, 2017) – acted (with Jamie Smith QC) at first instance and appeal proceedings in a substantial claim in the Isle of Man in relation to the collapse of a series of investment funds in the Cayman Islands
- International sale of goods claim involving Finnish and Chinese parties (QBD, 2017) – acted as sole counsel for defendant Finish and Chinese apparel manufactures in a quarter of a million pound sale of goods dispute. This case required extensive work with contractual and company documents in Chinese (which Anthony speaks and reads)
- **Stanford International Bank** (Commercial Court, 2015) – acted (with Justin Fenwick QC) on behalf of Antiguan liquidators of the collapsed Stanford International Bank

## Insights

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### Professional liability round up of 2019

7 January 2020

Helen Evans, Pippa Manby, Anthony Jones and Seohyung Kim of 4 New Square Chambers explain what the 2019 cases tell us, how the various strands of development interact, and what trends are evident as we go into 2020.

### GCHQ, encrypted chats and IPA 2016

18 July 2019

This article was first published on Lexis®PSL on 8 July 2019. Corporate Crime analysis: An open letter signed by over 50 organisations, including Apple, WhatsApp, Liberty and Privacy International, recently called on the UK Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ) to abandon a proposal to eavesdrop on encrypted chats. Can Yeginsu and Anthony Jones, barristers at 4 New Square Chambers, explain the background to the proposal and consider some of the related legislation in this area.

### Creative remedies in unfair prejudice petitions

17 July 2019

In this article, prompted by the recent quantum decision in *Re Edwardian Group Ltd* [2019] EWHC 873 (Ch) Helen Evans and Anthony Jones of 4 New Square consider the range of valuation approaches available to a judge when ordering a share purchase.