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A highly intelligent lawyer

- Chambers & Partners

Kendrah Potts has a broad practice that covers commercial litigation, international arbitration and sports law. She is described in the directories as a “highly intelligent lawyer”, “sensational” and a “brilliant advocate, who is able to drill into the key points with ease”.

Kendrah was called to the Bar after working as a solicitor for eleven years. She spent eight years at Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, where she gained broad experience of High Court litigation, international arbitration and multi-jurisdictional disputes. She was a Partner and Head of Litigation at Onside Law before joining Mishcon de Reya as a Legal Director.

Kendrah has worked on a wide range of commercial disputes across different industries, including energy, pharmaceuticals and financial services. She often works on cases involving allegations of corruption or fraudulent conduct, and that have an international aspect. She is recognised as a leading junior for Commercial Litigation in Legal 500 2021.

Kendrah is ranked in the top tier of leading juniors in both Chambers & Partners and Legal 500 for Sports Law. She has extensive experience of commercial disputes and disciplinary matters in the sports sector, particularly in the fields of corruption, anti-doping and match-fixing. She is regularly instructed in high profile cases as sole advocate.

After many years as a solicitor and spending time in-house on secondment, Kendrah has an excellent understanding of the demands on clients and takes a commercial and client-friendly approach to litigation.

Kendrah is an accredited mediator and also sits as an arbitrator.

Privacy Policy

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Areas of Expertise

Commercial Litigation

‘Very responsive, succinct and commercial in her approach, she is an excellent pair of hands on any commercial, fraud or sports related dispute.’ – *Legal 500, 2021 (UK Bar: Commercial Litigation)*

Kendrah has a broad commercial disputes practice. Having worked as a commercial litigator for many years (including at Freshfields and Mishcon de Reya (qualifying at Freshfields in 2006)), Kendrah’s commercial litigation experience is significantly beyond her year of call.

As a partner and senior associate Kendrah led on high-value, complex cases across different industries, representing international companies, financial institutions and governments. She advised on a wide range of commercial disputes in the Court of Appeal, High Court and County Courts, including acting on the successful defence of the claims in the high profile OCENSA Pipeline Group Litigation.

Kendrah advises (led and as sole counsel) on matters ranging from complex, multi-million pound disputes to smaller commercial disputes. She advises on interim applications as well as on the enforcement of judgments and arbitration awards.

Many of Kendrah’s cases have an international element (her language skills have been particularly helpful in this regard) and she is experienced advising on conflicts of laws issues and dealing with foreign law.

Recent cases include:

- Sole advocate acting on the defence of a \$25million breach of contract claim concerning international broadcast rights (arbitration).
- Advising on the defence of a breach of contract claim for £20 million arising out of a SPA, including successfully defending a summary judgment application turning on matters of contractual interpretation (*Damoco (Bermuda) Limited and Others v Atlanta Bidco Limited* [2020] EWHC 501 (Comm)). (Led by Graham Chapman QC.)
- Instructed for the First Defendant in the matter of *Public Institution for Social Security v Al Rajaan & Others*. The case, involving claims for over \$800 million and 38 defendants, arises out of alleged fraudulent schemes involving payments of secret commissions. (Led by Tom Weisselberg QC.)
- Acting as sole advocate on the defence of a £10million breach of contract claim and a counterclaim for misrepresentation and mistake (arbitration).
- Advising an international entertainment agency on a multi million pound contract dispute arising out of a joint venture and involving alleged breaches of licence, service and shareholder agreements.
- Acting for a Claimant in three separate proceedings in the High Court involving allegations of conspiracy, deceit, breach of contract and fiduciary duties and unjust enrichment arising out of similar fraudulent transactions (led by Jeff Chapman QC).
- Sole advocate advising on a \$100million breach of contract dispute relating to broadcasting rights (LCIA arbitration).
- Sole counsel instructed on a challenge to an arbitration award pursuant to sections 67 and 68 of the Arbitration Act.
- Sole counsel representing a claimant in a breach of contract claim involving issues of apparent authority.
- Sole counsel advising a US event promoter on enforcement proceedings (in respect of a judgment for \$100million) in the UK.
- Appearing as sole counsel advising on the enforcement of a foreign arbitration award and related enforcement proceedings in the Commercial Court.
- Representing a major betting operator in a number of contract disputes.

Qualifications & Memberships

BA in Law with French Law, Oxford University (third year at the Université Panthéon-Assas, Paris II)

MA (Oxon)

Kendrah is a CEDR accredited mediator. Panel member for Sport Resolutions (Legal Arbitrator and Mediator).

Kendrah also works in French and Spanish.



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Insights

GDPR and Sport: make sure that you're on the ball!

11 May 2018

Richard Liddell, Kendrah Potts and William Harman look at some of the principal enforcement risks facing sporting bodies under the new regime described by the ICO as a “game-changer” and consider how the GDPR might feed into existing facets of sports dispute resolution.