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- Chambers & Partners

Peter is currently taking a break from practice.

Peter Morcos has a practice that encompasses all areas of commercial dispute resolution, with a particular focus on commercial litigation and arbitration, professional liability, insurance, and construction.

Peter has appeared before the High Court, the Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court. He has also acted in arbitrations under a range of domestic and international institutions.

Peter is ranked in Chambers and Partners as an "up-and-coming junior" with a "broadly commercial practice", and is described as a "a hard worker who is highly intelligent", with "the ability to get to grips quickly with highly complex matters". Clients in the legal directories have also commented that "his drafting skills demonstrate a keen eye for detail" and that Peter gives "clear, considered and strategic advice. He gets straight to the nub of the issue and is very hard working and responsive."

Before becoming a barrister, Peter received a BA in Law with First Class Honours and a BCL with Distinction from Lincoln College, Oxford where he won prizes at an undergraduate and graduate level. Peter has also attained an LLM with Distinction from the University of Pennsylvania, where he was a Dean's Scholar and a Withers Scholar. After his legal education, Peter received the Oxford Pro Bono Publico scholarship for his work at the AIRE Centre, assisting in interventions before the ECJ and the ECtHR. He also served as a tutor and examiner in tort at King's College, London.

Peter has a good understanding of conversational Arabic.

Privacy Policy

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Areas of Expertise

Commercial Dispute Resolution

Peter is building a practice in all areas of commercial dispute resolution, and has experience across a wide range of cases. Peter is regularly instructed as sole counsel in commercial disputes, but is also currently involved in several cases where he is led by more senior barristers and silks.



As part of this, Peter is often instructed as a junior in document heavy cases, and has advised on complex issues of legal advice privilege, litigation privilege, without prejudice privilege and confidentiality. He also has experience advising on and assisting with interim applications including for specific disclosure and security for costs.

His recent and current instructions include:

Cases

- **Libyan Investment Authority v Goldman Sachs**
Part of a counsel team acting for an investment authority in a billion dollar claim against an investment bank in relation to the sale of equity derivatives.
- **AIG Europe Limited v Woodman**
Acting for the successful appellants, AIG, in the Supreme Court in *AIG Europe Limited v Woodman*, an aggregation dispute under the SRA minimum terms and conditions. The case is the first in relation to aggregation clauses to go the Supreme Court in over a decade.
- **Harlequin Property v Wilkins Kennedy**
Acting for a firm of accountants in a professional negligence claim stated to be worth in excess of \$60million, involving allegations of breach of contract, negligence and breach of fiduciary duty, led by Justin Fenwick QC.
- **International Sale of Goods Dispute**
Acting for the Respondents in an ICC arbitration in relation to the international sale of goods, in a dispute raising issues of actual authority, ostensible authority, conflict of laws and penalty clauses.
- **Navitas v Hall**
Sole counsel for the claimant in relation to a dispute under a share purchase agreement, and defending counterclaims stated to be worth up to £2million.
- **AAL Limited v Eytan**
Sole counsel for the claimant in relation to a contractual rectification claim, and defending a counterclaim for breach of warranty under an investment agreement.
- **Hazelhurst v Larchgreen Ltd**
Sole counsel for the claimant in relation to a dispute under a share purchase agreement, and defending counterclaims stated to be worth up to £2million.
- **Claim by a Telecommunications Company**
Sole counsel for a telecommunications provider in a contractual dispute with a business consumer in relation to the standard of service required under a telecommunications contract.
- **Shareholder Dispute under JV**
Acting for a major middle eastern entity in a shareholder dispute subject to UNCITRAL rules in relation to the commercial use of an offshore rig production yard.

Qualifications & Memberships

BA, University of Oxford (First Class Honours); BCL, University of Oxford (Distinction); LLM, University of Pennsylvania (Distinction); BPTC (Outstanding).

Peter is a member of COMBAR, BILA, PNBA, TECBAR, SCL and the London Common Law and Commercial Bar Association.



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Insights

GDPR and Insurance: who picks up the tab when things go wrong?

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Notwithstanding assurances from the Information Commissioner that they “prefer the carrot to the stick” the fact remains that the ICO will have the power under Article 83(4) the General Data Protection Regulation (“GDPR”) to levy fines of up to €10million or 2% of annual global turnover on data controllers. Alison Padfield QC, Clare Dixon and Peter Morcos consider which aspects of GDPR compliance are likely to be insurable and/or insured, focussing in particular upon: (a) the insurability (or otherwise) of fines; (b) new potential liabilities under the GDPR; and (c) the potential pitfalls of assuming that cyber insurance will cover all civil liabilities under GDPR.

8th Edition of Jackson and Powell on Professional Liability

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