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Very diligent and focused on achieving the client's commercial objectives.

- Legal 500

Tom specialises in commercial and construction disputes.

Chambers & Partners says that Tom “commands a lethal mix of being on top of the detail and great at strategy. He's very good in court and his cross-examination was particularly good.” “He's a tenacious advocate and is exceptionally easy to work with.”

Legal 500 characterises Tom as “Extremely bright, has a charming manner with clients and is a strong advocate.” “Technically strong and applies his advice in a practical manner.” “He gets involved in the detail yet retains the ability to work on strategic issues taking a commercial view.”

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Areas of Expertise

Banking & Financial Services

“A tenacious advocate, his written work is consistently sound and he is incredibly user friendly.” – Legal 500, 2021: Banking & Finance

“Very thorough and he really goes that extra mile to do a brilliant job.” – Legal 500, 2021: Financial Services

Tom's financial services experience includes acting for regulators, regulated firms and customers of those firms in both civil and regulatory spheres. He has appeared for the regulated against the FCA before the RDC. He has been both seconded to and instructed by the FSA/FCA.

He has acted in claims involving FOREX traders, investment managers, mortgage brokers and pension advisers.

He also acts regularly in banking matters, including claims relating to loans, guarantees and mortgages.

Cases include:

- *Dimopoulos v Giannikopoulos* [2018] EWHC 1280 (QB). Whether agreement to repay monies had been reached



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- *Two Right Feet Ltd v National Westminster Bank Plc, Royal Bank of Scotland Plc, KPMG LLP* [2017] 6 Costs LO 735. Indemnity basis costs order after discontinuance of a claim.

Qualifications & Memberships

BA (Oxon.) (Classics); Lord Mansfield, Lord Brougham, Hardwicke and Hubert Greenland scholarships from Lincoln's Inn.

Insights

Information v advice: inadequate labels but important principles

31 May 2019

Matthew Bradley and Tom Asquith consider the recent Court of Appeal decision in *Manchester Building Society v Grant Thornton UK LLP* in the context of financial advice, providing points of note for practitioners looking to draw a line between taking responsibility for a decision and merely providing information which feeds into that decision.

Duty of care: Jones and Environcom Ltd [2011] EWCA Civ 1152

30 November 2012

Marine insurance: losses, claims and defences: Clothing Management Technology Ltd v Beazley Solutions Ltd [2012] EWHC 727 (QB)

30 March 2012