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Will joined 4 New Square in October 2020 following the successful completion of his pupillage under the supervision of Shail Patel, Tim Chelmick and Lucy Colter. He is developing a broad commercial practice in line with Chambers' core areas of work. He is currently instructed as a junior in a £1.3 billion fraud claim in the Chancery Division and in a complex construction dispute in the Technology and Construction Court.

Prior to commencing pupillage, Will read Philosophy, Politics and Economics at Oriel College, Oxford, where he was awarded an Academic Scholarship and graduated with First Class Honours (7th highest in year). He completed the Graduate Diploma in Law at City, University of London with Distinction (4th highest in year) and also won the Jean Monnet Prize for EU Law, before undertaking the Bar Professional Training Course as a Lord Justice Holker Scholar of Gray's Inn. While at school, Will represented England at the World Schools Debating Championships, winning the tournament in 2014 while also being named the best individual speaker.

Areas of Expertise

Insurance

During pupillage Will gained experience of a wide range of policies and insurance matters, including coverage disputes, subrogated claims and claims against insurance brokers. Examples include:

- Instructed by insurers in relation to issues arising from the Business Interruption insurance test case: *FCA v Arch Insurance (UK) Ltd & Ors* [2020] EWHC 2448 (Comm)
- Instructed by professional indemnity insurers defending a claim brought under the Third Parties (Rights Against Insurers) Act 2010
- Instructed by public liability insurers in a claim relating to damage at residential property in Central London
- Assisting in a £1m subrogated claim brought by property damage insurers concerning a fire at commercial property in North London
- Assisting in a coverage dispute concerning a trade credit insurance policy (during pupillage)
- Assisting in a coverage dispute concerning an income protection policy (during pupillage)
- Assisting in a dispute concerning the termination of a life insurance policy (during pupillage)

Qualifications & Memberships

Education: BA, Philosophy, Politics & Economics, Oriel College, Oxford (First Class Honours); GDL, City, University of London (Distinction); BPTC, City, University of London



Scholarships & Awards: Academic Scholarship (Oriel College, Oxford); CPE Scholarship, Lord Justice Holker Scholarship (Gray's Inn); Jean Monnet Prize in EU Law (City, University of London)