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Anthony Jones has a broad practice in commercial law, international arbitration, insurance, professional liability, public international law, and human rights.

Described as '*fantastic*,' '*technically brilliant*,' '*razor sharp*,' and '*really superb*' in the directories, Anthony is ranked by **Chambers & Partners** and the **Legal 500** as an outstanding junior in four practice areas: (i) insurance and reinsurance; (ii) professional negligence; (iii) international human rights law; and (iv) admin law and human rights.

Anthony frequently appears led and unled in trials in the Commercial Court and Chancery Division and has acted in dozens of reported cases in the Supreme Court, Court of Appeal, the Dubai International Financial Centre courts, the European Court of Human Rights, and the Court of Justice of the European Union. In addition, he has experience acting as co-counsel in proceedings before the Isle of Man Courts, the Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court, the Inter-American Court of Human Rights, the ECOWAS Court of Justice, the Supreme Court of The Gambia, and the Turkish Constitutional Court.

In his arbitration practice, Anthony has experience in commercial arbitrations under the LCIA and ICC rules, and ad hoc arbitrations seated in London and Singapore. He has also a growing practice in ICSID investor-state arbitrations.

Anthony was recently a Research Fellow at Yale Law School and previously at the Bonavero Institute of Human Rights at Oxford University. He teaches commercial law at the London School of Economics, and is a co-author of *The ICSID Convention, Rules and Regulations: A Practical Commentary* (2019), and *Jackson & Powell on Professional Liability* (9th edition, 2021). He is a member of the Equality and Human Rights Commission Panel of Counsel, and a former member of the Executive Committee of the Professional Negligence Bar Association.

Previous Experience

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

Privacy Policy

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Expertise

Commercial

Anthony has a thriving practice across a broad range of commercial litigation, with specialisms in financial disputes (including offshore work), shareholder petitions, and various forms of injunctive relief. Since acting in a ground-breaking successful seven-week £150 million unfair prejudice petition in 2018 – **Re Edwardian Group Ltd** – Anthony has become particularly sought-after as a junior counsel in the field of shareholder petitions.

Current and recent cases include:

- **Wenda v Wang and ors** (Commercial Court, 2022-23) – acting as sole counsel in injunctive and substantive proceedings for the defendants to a multimillion pound fraud claim arising out of invoice financing arrangements for a multinational Chinese conglomerate;
- **BlackLion LLP v Amira Nature Foods** [2022] EWHC 1500 (Ch) – acted as sole counsel in this Chancery Division trial on behalf of a multinational food distributor in this breach of contract claim relating to an abortive high-yield bond issue in New York;
- **RG Carter Ltd v Group Lotus** [2022] EWHC 1327 (TCC) – acted as sole counsel in summary proceedings regarding uncertainty of terms in construction contracts;
- **Auty v Duru and Saide Tekstil** (Companies Court, 2021-22) – acted (with Hugh Jory KC) for the majority shareholders in defence to an unfair prejudice petition with a pleaded value of £12m (settled in February 2022);
- **Re GO DPO EU and ors** [2021] EWHC 1765 (Ch) – acted as sole counsel for the successful minority shareholders in the liability trial of an unfair prejudice petition, with the quantum stage set for determination in 2023;
- **Martin v Hochanda Ltd** [2021] EWHC 1988 (Ch) – acted as sole counsel for the minority shareholder in a preliminary issue trial of an unfair prejudice claim, with the substantive proceedings listed for trial in 2023;
- **Kells and ors v Friends Provident International Ltd** (Isle of Man High Court, 2021-23) – acting (with Graham Chapman KC) on behalf of thousands of investors bringing misrepresentation claims against two Isle of Man insurance groups in respect of investment wrapper bonds. The claimants defeated a strike out in January 2022, and trial is expected in mid 2023;
- **Karunia Holdings Ltd v Creativityetc Ltd** [2021] EWHC 1864 (Ch) – acted as sole counsel in this claim relating to alleged forgery and fraud in a complex set of lending arrangements involve Cypriot holding companies and UK assets;
- **Danspin A/S v Lawton Yarns Limited** (QBD, 2021) – acted unled for the Danish purchaser of a textiles manufacture in a £1m+ claim against vendors for breaches of the sale and purchase agreement (settled in January 2022);
- **PDVSA Servicios SA v Clyde & Co and PetroSaudi Oil Services (Venezuela) Ltd** [2020] EWHC 2819 (Ch) – acted (with Graham Chapman KC) in injunctive relief proceedings to prevent payment of a \$300m arbitral award out of escrow pending annulment proceedings in France;
- **Perkier Foods Ltd v Halo Foods Ltd** [2019] EWHC 292 (QB) and [2019] EWHC 3462 (QB) – acted (with Dan Saoul KC) in successful injunctive relief and committal proceedings arising out of breach of manufacture and supply agreements;
- **Jack v Riches** [2019] EWHC 1744 (QB) – acted (with Neil Hext KC) in freezing injunction proceedings regarding alleged

dissipation of assets of a commercial fisheries enterprise;

- **Re Edwardian Group Ltd** [2018] EWHC 1715 (Ch); [2019] 1 BCLC 171 – acted (with Justin Fenwick KC) in a successful seven-week £150 million unfair prejudice petition regarding one of the largest hotel groups in the UK.

International Arbitration

Anthony regularly advises on and acts in cases before arbitral tribunals, with a particular focus on investment treaty arbitration. He has recently acted for investors in claims against different Central Asian States, raising complex jurisdictional issues regarding recourse to domestic remedies and the definition of investments, and the full range of substantive issues, including expropriation, fair and equitable treatment, and exercise of State police powers. In addition, Anthony has general experience in international commercial arbitration, as well as the enforcement and related proceedings to which they give rise.

Anthony writes and speaks regularly on international arbitration, and is a co-author of *The ICSID Convention, Rules and Regulations: A Practical Commentary* (2019).

Featured International Arbitration cases

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- **La Générale des Carrières et des Mines v FG Hemisphere Associates** [2013] 1 All ER 409 (PC) – advised on the application of the doctrine of State immunity to proceedings before the Privy Council regarding the execution of a substantial ICC arbitration award sought against the Channel Island assets of a State-owned mining corporation in the Democratic Republic of Congo.

Professional Liability

“Anthony’s oral and written advocacy skills are first-class. He is a creative thinker who thinks of the most fantastic arguments, always with an eye on how best to win the case.” – Legal 500

“Excellent on pleadings and very commercial” – Chambers & Partners

“A dynamic and solutions-driven barrister. His oral and written skills are impeccable” – Legal 500

“Technically brilliant, he can produce an astonishing amount in a short space of time.” – Chambers & Partners

“Very good to deal with, great written work and expertise that helps with technical points” – Chambers & Partners

“Dynamic, robust and very user friendly. His oral and written advocacy skills are brilliant, and he works well in a team” – Legal 500

“He cuts through difficult problems with neat solutions and works brilliantly as part of a wider team” “Impressive with clients”
– Legal 500

“Razor-sharp” “A creative thinker” – Chambers & Partners

Anthony has quickly established a leading reputation as a junior in the field of professional liability. He has been involved in a number of the leading cases in recent years, including the Supreme Court’s re-examination of the SAAMCo approach to the scope of duty in **BPE Solicitors v Hughes-Holland** and the Court of Appeal proceedings in **Brown v InnovatorOne**. He recently acted in the Court of Appeal and Commercial Court, successfully defending a £75 million Russian investment claim named one of *The Lawyer’s* Top 20 cases (**Khanty-Mansiysk Recoveries v Forsters LLP**). In addition, Anthony has experience sitting as an arbitrator under the Professional Negligence Bar Association Rules.

Anthony is a former member of the Executive Committee of the Professional Negligence Bar Association, and is a co-author of the leading practitioner’s text, *Jackson & Powell on Professional Liability* (9th ed, 2021).

Auditors & Accountants

Anthony has extensive experience in auditors’ and accountants’ negligence cases, both as junior and as sole counsel, with a particular focus on failure to identify fraud and the duties of accountants in the insolvency context. His practice in this area is complemented by his detailed understanding of auditors’ and accountants’ disciplinary proceedings. Recent cases include:

- **Dixon, Coles & Gill and ors v Paylings Hepworth & Clarke and ors** (Chancery Division, 2021) – acted (with Helen Evans KC) in a multimillion pound claim against auditors of a solicitors’ practice in respect of alleged failure to identify a substantial fraud carried out by a rogue partner handling extensive trust monies on behalf of the Lord Bishop of Leeds and the National Trust (settled in December 2021);
- **South Staffs Industries v Backhouse** (Court of Appeal, 2019) – acted (with Ben Patten KC) for the respondents in relation to an appeal brought by accountants liable for return of funds following the failure of tax mitigation investment schemes, raising complex issues of counter-restitution and equitable accounting;
- **Re Horizon Bank** (Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court, 2018) – acted (with Justin Fenwick KC) defending proceedings brought against the liquidator of an offshore bank in St Vincent and the Grenadines;
- **Rushmer v Atkinson** [2020] EWHC 524 (Ch) – acted unled defending multimillion pound claim brought against insolvency practitioner alleging unreasonable release/settlement of litigation claims;
- Claim against auditors of multinational mining plc (Commercial Court, 2017) – acted (with Graham Chapman KC) in a multimillion pound claim against the auditors of a multinational public company in respect of alleged failures to identify substantial fraud arising from gold mining operations in Africa.

Financial Services Professionals

Anthony has a detailed understanding of investment disputes, both as junior and as sole counsel, with a particular focus on work with an offshore element.

Recent cases include:

- **HMRC v Ernst & Young** (Chancery Division, 2023-24) – acting (with Ben Elkington KC) on behalf of Ernst & Young in a substantial novel claim regarding the existence of duties of care owed by tax advisers to HMRC in respect of tax settlement negotiations;
- **Kells and ors v Friends Provident International Ltd** (Isle of Man High Court, 2021-24) – acting (with Graham Chapman KC) on behalf of thousands of investors bringing misrepresentation claims against two Isle of Man insurance groups in respect of investment wrapper bonds. The claimants defeated a strike out in January 2022, and trial of test claimants is expected in mid 2024;
- **Hargreaves v PricewaterhouseCoopers** (Chancery Division, 2020) – acted (with Graham Chapman KC) for the defendant to a £50 million claim arising from allegedly negligent provision of tax planning advice. Claim settled following the defendant’s application for striking out on limitation grounds;
- **JP SPC v Turnstone and Peacock** (Isle of Man Court of Appeal, 2017) – acted (with Jamie Smith KC) at first instance and

in 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;

- **Adams v Ford and Keydata Investment Services** (Commercial Court, 2013) – acted (with Ben Hubble KC) in the defence to a multimillion pound claim brought by hundreds of investors in technology-based tax mitigation investment schemes;
- **Brown v InnovatorOne** (Court of Appeal, 2012) – acted (with Ben Hubble KC and Nicole Sandells KC) in the appeal arising from this landmark professional liability claim brought by 500 investors in tax mitigation schemes, dealing particularly with *Quistclose* trusts of client account monies.

Lawyers

Anthony is frequently instructed in relation to all forms of lawyers' liability matters, from disputes arising out of failed litigation and arbitration to high-value complex secured lending transactions. Recent cases include:

- **EcoQuest v Hamlins and anor** (QBD, 2021) – acted (with Ben Hubble KC) for the claimants in a multimillion pound professional negligence claim arising out of allegedly mishandled litigation relating to substantial failed investments in Brazil (settled in December 2021);
- **Stephenson Harwood v Geneva Trust Company SA** (Commercial Court, 2019) – acted (with Ben Hubble KC) in a multimillion pound fees dispute regarding high-profile litigation brought by and against the tycoon Robert Tchenguiz and associated entities;
- **Tolaini v Adams & Remers LLP** (QBD, 2019) – acted as sole counsel in multimillion pound dispute regarding inadequate representation in complex Companies Court proceedings;
- **Muduroglu v Stephenson Harwood** [2017] EWHC 29 (Ch) – acted (with Ben Hubble KC) in successful interim proceedings striking out substantial claim brought by commercial investors against former advisers;
- **Khanty-Mansiysk Recoveries v Forsters LLP** [2018] EWCA Civ 89 and [2016] EWHC 522 (Comm) – acted (with Jamie Smith KC) for the successful defendant to a £75 million claim arising out of failed 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
- International shipping arbitration negligence claim (Commercial Court, 2017-18) – acted (with David Halpern KC) on behalf of an international shipping firm in a substantial claim against a leading international law firm with respect to the conduct of parallel international arbitration proceedings (*ad hoc* proceedings in England and proceedings before the Tokyo Maritime Arbitration Commission).

Insurance & Reinsurance

“Anthony provides clear and well-reasoned advice and is a pleasure to work with.” – Legal 500

Anthony has broad experience in insurance and reinsurance work, with a focus on coverage disputes and avoidance, acting both for insurers and insureds in England and offshore (particularly in the DIFC Courts, where Anthony is admitted as an advocate). He is recognised as a leading junior by the **Legal 500**.

Recent cases include:

- **Finsbury Food Group plc v Various Underwriters** [2023] EWHC 1559 (Comm) – acted (with Roger Stewart KC) for the purchasers of a food manufacturing group claiming under a £4m policy of warranty and indemnity insurance in respect of alleged breaches by the vendor;
- **Financial Conduct Authority v MS Amlin and others** [2021] UKSC 1 and [2020] EWHC 2448 (Comm) – acted (with David Turner KC and Clare Dixon KC) for Royal & Sun Alliance in the Supreme Court and Commercial Court in the high-profile litigation regarding business interruption insurance responses to the Covid-19 pandemic;
- **CTB Finance v Dubai Insurance Company** (Dubai International Financial Centre Court of First Instance, 2023) – acting (with

Rick Liddell KC) in a multi-million USD claim against trade credit insurance with allegations of non-genuine and circular trading, listed for trial in October 2023;

- **Five Holding Limited and ors v Orient Insurance PJSC and Qatar Insurance Company** (Dubai International Financial Centre Court of First Instance, 2021) – acted as sole counsel for the successful insurers in a jurisdictional dispute regarding progress of simultaneous insurance claims in the DIFC Courts and the Dubai local courts;
- **Westford UK and Westford DMCC v Qatar Insurance Company** (Dubai International Financial Centre Court of First Instance, 2022-24) – acting (with Rick Liddell KC) for insurers in respect of a US\$9m claim in respect of alleged trade credit losses arising from the failure of a multinational commodities conglomerate, with trial expected in mid 2024;
- **Orient Insurance PJSC v Hazel Middle East FZE** (Dubai International Financial Centre Court of First Instance, 2019-21) – acted (with Rick Liddell KC) for insurers in declaratory proceedings declining cover for allegedly fraudulent maritime insurance losses (settled in December 2021);
- **A v B** (ad hoc arbitration, 2021) – acted as sole counsel for the successful insured in a confidential arbitration establishing insurers' obligation to provide professional indemnity cover despite the insured's apparent admission of liability;
- **Various Claimants v Giambrone and Law** [2019] 4 WLR 7 (QB) – acted in this unusual case which established a solicitors firm's professional indemnity insurer's third-party costs liability.

Human Rights

Anthony is a leading junior in human rights law, having acted before in dozens of claims before the European Court of Human Rights and other international human rights tribunals, with a particularly strong record in cases regarding media freedom, the right to property, and questions of jurisdiction under international treaties. Chambers UK ranks him Band 1 for International Human Rights Law and Legal 500 Band 1 for Administrative Law and Human Rights.

"A real star...He has really deep knowledge of human rights and in particular international human rights, and a genuinely deep commitment to the area." – Chambers & Partners

"Anthony is supremely bright. He is accessible and combines a colossal brain with an easy manner and charm. He inspires trust and can be relied upon to deliver." – Legal 500

"Technically brilliant, he can produce an astonishing amount in a short space of time" – Chambers & Partners

"An excellent drafter who is very good at finding creative arguments in difficult cases" – Chambers & Partners

"He goes above and beyond in every case" – Chambers & Partners

"Anthony is fantastic. He is efficient, responsive, always available, hard working and exceptionally sharp. His written work is exceptional – always striking to the heart of the issue with clarity and ease" – Legal 500

"Anthony is really superb. He is very approachable, very good with clients, and imaginative with the law" – Chambers & Partners

"He is able to get a challenging international law issue and condense it down to provide concise, understandable advice. He is a great team player, he is always collegial, very knowledgeable and humble" – Chambers & Partners

"The quality of his research, legal judgment and drafting is consistently excellent. Clients rightly jump at the chance to instruct him" – Legal 500

"Unparalleled ability to digest a significant amount of complex information in a short period of time, and develop insightful and compelling arguments" – Legal 500

Alongside his practice, Anthony publishes and lectures widely on human rights. He was recently a Visiting Fellow at the Schell Center for International Human Rights at Yale Law School in 2019-20, and a Research Fellow at the Bonavero Institute for Human Rights at Oxford University in 2018. In 2019, Anthony was appointed a member of the Equality and Human Rights Commission Panel of Counsel.

Recent prominent cases include:

- **XYZ v Attorney-General of Barbados** (High Court of Barbados, 2021-22) and **Johnson v Attorney-General of St Vincent**

and the Grenadines (High Court of St Vincent and the Grenadines, 2021-22) – acting as co-counsel for the applicant LGBT persons in Barbados and St Vincent bringing challenges to the lawfulness of criminal anti-sodomy laws as violations of their human rights to liberty, to freedom of expression, and to freedom from inhuman and degrading treatment;

- **Wikimedia Foundation Inc v Republic of Turkey** (European Court of Human Rights, App No. 25479/19) – acted on behalf of Wikimedia before the European Court in the challenge to the decision by the Turkish government to block access to all Wikipedia sites on the basis of purported national security violations. As a direct result of the case, the Turkish Constitutional Court ordered the government to restore access to Wikipedia in Turkey, leading to the discontinuation of the case in March 2022;
- **Big Brother Watch and ors v United Kingdom** [2021] ECHR 439 (GC) and [2018] ECHR 722 – acted before the First Section and on appeal to the Grand Chamber in the ground-breaking litigation which established that the bulk digital surveillance regime operated by the UK government for 15 years breached the rights to privacy under Article 8 and expression under Article 10 of the European Convention;
- **Navalnyy v Russian Federation** (European Court of Human Rights) – acting for the leading journalism NGO, Media Defence, in the Article 10 challenge to the extension of defamation liability under Russian law to online blogs linking third party content. The applicant is the prominent Russian opposition politician Aleksey Navalnyy;
- **Mahmudov v Azerbaijan** (European Court of Human Rights, App No. 50612/18) – acting as junior counsel for a journalist subject to unexplained travel bans in Azerbaijan;
- **Mandli v Hungary** [2020] ECHR 337 – acted in the successful challenge brought against Hungary's law restricting access of journalists to Parliamentary premises;
- **Tulio Álvarez v Venezuela** (Inter-American Court of Human Rights) – acting on behalf of Article 19 in the human rights challenge by a leading Venezuelan journalist sentenced for the crime of aggravated defamation;
- **Amnesty International Togo and ors v Togo** (ECOWAS Court, 2020) – acted in the successful challenge to the government Internet shutdown in violation of freedom of expression rights under the African Charter;
- **OGT LLC v Georgia** (European Court of Human Rights, App No. 58886/19) – acting in a substantial claim relating to expropriation of assets by the Georgian regime from a high-profile media and business empire as part of an alleged campaign of persecution and corruption;
- **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 in the challenge to the UK arms exports to Saudi Arabia for use in Yemen (one of *The Lawyer's* Top 20 Cases);
- **Anopa Investments v Cyprus** (ECtHR) – acting for the applicant in a multi-million euro claim against Cyprus regarding alleged violations of the right to property under Article 1 of Protocol 1 and due process rights under Article 6 of the European Convention;
- **Alpay and ors v Republic of Turkey** [2018] ECHR 253 – acted as sole counsel on behalf of a large coalition of international NGOs in support of a number of leading Turkish journalists, detained without trial following the 2016 attempted coup on alleged national security, treason, and terrorism grounds. The European Court ruled that the journalists' pre-trial detention was unlawful, and ordered release and compensation;
- **Federation of African Journalists v The Gambia** (ECOWAS Court, 2016-17) – acted on behalf of the leading African journalism union in the successful challenge to the validity of The Gambia's law on criminal defamation and so-called 'false news';
- **R (Miranda) v Home Secretary** [2016] 1 WLR 1505 (CA) and [2014] 1 WLR 3140 (Div Ct) – acted at first instance and on appeal on behalf of leading journalism NGOs intervening in the successful challenge brought against the use of the Terrorism Act 2000 to detain David Miranda when he was carrying material leaked by Edward Snowden.

Inquests & Inquiries

Anthony has a strong inquests and inquiry practice, and significant experience acting as counsel on behalf of coroners both in inquest hearings and in related judicial review proceedings.

Recent cases include:

- **Ram inquest** (Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Coroner's Court, 2022) – acted at all stages for the interested party – a leading multinational medical device manufacturer – in this inquest into a death arising from complications following complex heart surgery;
- **Gore inquest** (Bristol and Avon Coroner's Court, 2022) – acted throughout, from initial advice to representation at a week-long hearing, on behalf of a medical device manufacturer in this inquest into a death arising following complex surgery;
- **Dove v Her Majesty's Assistant Coroner for Teesside and Hartlepool** [2021] EWHC 2511 (Admin) – acted (with Jonathan

- Hough KC) for the coroner in judicial review proceedings seeking quashing on the grounds of insufficient enquiry;
- **Warren inquest** (Stoke-on-Trent and North Staffordshire Coroner's Court, 2021) – acted on behalf of a multinational pharmaceutical manufacturer in an inquest relating to death in hospital;
- **Re HM Senior Coroner for North West Wales** [2018] EWHC 1366 (Admin) – acted as sole counsel in proceeding to quash a historic inquest and re-open the investigation in respect of unidentified remains;
- **Re HM Senior Coroner for North West Wales** [2017] EWHC 2557 (Admin) – acted as sole counsel in proceedings re-examining historic inquest on the ground of fresh evidence;
- **Hillsborough Stadium Inquests** (2013-16) – acted for the coroner in the new inquests into the 96 deaths resulting from the Hillsborough Stadium disaster in April 1989, the hearing lasting for more than two years.

Public International Law

Anthony has a growing practice in public international law, covering advisory and contentious work for individuals, NGOs, and State organs in the UK courts and a range of international tribunals. His work covers customary international law, treaty interpretation, investment treaty claims, State immunity and responsibility, and the law of international organizations.

Anthony writes and speaks regularly on public international law and investment treaty arbitration, in recent years addressing the Beijing Arbitration Commission conference and co-authoring *The ICSID Convention, Rules and Regulations: A Practical Commentary* (2019).

Recent cases include:

- **The Gambia v Myanmar** (International Court of Justice, 2022-23) – acting as junior counsel advising a State on the merits and procedure of an intervention in the claim brought by The Gambia against Myanmar for alleged breach of the Genocide Convention with respect to the treatment of the Rohingya minority;
- **Ukraine v Russian Federation** (International Court of Justice, 2022-23) – acting as sole counsel retained by a coalition of international NGOs and a State to advise upon potential intervention in the proceedings brought by Ukraine against Russia in respect of Russia's allegations that purported breaches of the Genocide Convention on the part of Ukraine justify the 2022 Russian military intervention;
- **HF and MF v France** [2022] ECHR 678 (GC) – acted as sole counsel for the interveners in this ground-breaking Grand Chamber case concerning the extraterritorial reach of the European Convention on Human Rights in respect of repatriation and border control decisions taken by France regarding repatriation of women and children held in camps in regions of North East Syria formerly controlled by ISIL. The jurisdiction of the Court was extended for the first time to such situations;
- **Hanan v Germany** [2021] ECHR 131 (GC) – acted as junior counsel before the Grand Chamber in this significant case confirming the extraterritorial application of the European Convention to military activities outside Europe, in that case airstrikes in Afghanistan;
- **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, raising issues of State responsibility at international law for another State's alleged breaches of international humanitarian law (one of *The Lawyer's* Top 20 Cases);
- C-458/19 P **ClientEarth v European Commission** (CJEU, 2018-20) – acted 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;
- C-209/17 P **NG v European Council** (CJEU, 2018) – acted as sole counsel in the EU General Court and on appeal to the CJEU for Amnesty International intervening in a challenge to the legality of EU-Turkey refugee deal under international law;
- T-436/17 **ClientEarth, European Environmental Bureau and ors v European Commission** (EU General Court, 2017-18) – acted as sole counsel in the EU General Court on behalf of a coalition of NGOs in a challenge to the Commission's approval of certain toxic chemicals, allegedly in breach of international environmental treaties;
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Regulatory & Disciplinary

Anthony has a growing practice in professional discipline work, acting both for regulators and professionals. His experience embraces advisory and contentious work relating particularly to solicitors, barristers, and accountants.

Recent cases include:

- **ICAEW disciplinary proceedings** (2023) – acted as sole counsel on behalf of an accountant defending serious allegations in respect of breach of the principle of integrity before the ICAEW Disciplinary Committee, obtaining dismissal of the charges in full;
- **Council for Licensed Conveyancers proceedings** (2023) – acted (with Ben Hubble KC) for a firm and partners serious allegations relating to dishonesty and breach of accounting rules;
- **Bar Standards Board v Alun Jones QC and anor** (2020) – acted (with Roger Stewart KC) successfully defending substantial disciplinary proceedings brought against a criminal silk and junior arising out of pleadings of fraud;
- **FRC Executive Counsel v KPMG and ors** (2018) – acted (with Ben Hubble KC) defending FRC sanctions proceedings arising from multi-year audits of a Lloyd's syndicate;
- **Lewin v Financial Reporting Council** [2018] EWHC 446 (Admin) – acted (with Jamie Smith KC) on behalf of interested parties to a judicial review brought against the publication by the FRC of its report on a disciplinary case, and whether the absence of a 'Maxwellization' process constituted a breach of Article 8 of the European Convention;
- **ACCA disciplinary proceedings** (2017) – acted as sole counsel on behalf of an accountant facing a range of serious disciplinary charges before the ACCA Disciplinary Committee, obtaining the lowest available sanction;
- **SRA proceedings concerning inflated billings** (Admin Court, 2017) – acted as sole counsel for the SRA in the Admin Court in a matter concerning alleged inflated and invalid solicitors' billings.

Awards



Qualifications & Memberships

Anthony holds a BA in Law with First Class Honours and 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.