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Profile: Overview

Wendy is a versatile advocate with a traditional and commercial chancery practice. She appears before all courts and before specialist tribunals in interim and final applications, trials and appeals. Wendy is particularly adept at unpicking factually and procedurally complex cases to identify the key issues for her clients.

Experience and Expertise

Wendy has a busy litigation practice which embraces a wide range of traditional and commercial Chancery areas. She regularly appears before the property tribunals and the Court of Protection in addition to her appearances in the High Court and the county courts.

Wendy is recommended as a leading junior in both Chambers UK and Legal 500.

Wendy acts for a wide range of clients, including private individuals, trustees, financial institutions, insolvency practitioners, charities and local authorities. She has previously acted for the Secretary of State for Business Skills and Innovation in matters relating to the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986.

Wendy has particular expertise in pensions, contentious probate, Court of Protection work, real property (including mortgages), residential and commercial landlord and tenant and insolvency. For further information about Wendy's expertise in these areas please click on the relevant practice area.

Wendy read Jurisprudence at St Catherine's College, Oxford where she was a college Exhibitioner prior to undertaking her BVC at the Inns of Court School of Law in London. She is a member of the Chancery Bar Association and is an associate member of the Association of Pension Lawyers. She was called to the Bar in 2005.

Prior to coming to the Bar, Wendy worked as a research assistant at the Law Commission in the Property and Trusts team. At the Law Commission Wendy worked on the Easements, Covenants and Profits a Prendre project.

Wendy also worked as an assistant to Sir Christopher Staughton's arbitration practice at 20 Essex Street where she obtained valuable experience of various forms of ADR, which has greatly assisted her when acting for clients in mediations.

Publications

(2007) NLJ 574 - "Natural Cunning" - Wendy co-authored this article relating to will forgery with Tom Dumont.

Cases and Work of Note

- *Capita ATL Pension Trustees Ltd & Ors v Sedgwick Financial Services Ltd & Ors* [2016] EWHC 214 (Ch);
- *Ascham Homes Ltd v Hassett Auguste* [2015] EWHC 3517 (Ch), [2016] I.C.R. 359;
- *Central Tenders Board & Anor v White* (t/a White Construction Services) [2015] UKPC 39, [2015] B.L.R. 727 (Privy Council on appeal from Montserrat);
- *Briggs & Ors v Gleeds* (Head Office) (a firm) & Ors [2014] EWHC 1178 (Ch), [2015] Ch 212;
- *Ainslie v Sun Life Assurance Company of Canada* (UK) Ltd [2014] EWHC 453 (Ch), [2014] 030 PBLR (14);
- *Capital Home Loans Limited v Bennett Griffin LLP* [2013] EWHC 2613 (Ch)
- *Elgin Wright & Ors v Building Heritage & Ors* [2013] UKPC 10 (Privy Council on appeal from The Bahamas);

- *Alexander Forbes Trustee Services Ltd. v John Doe & Richard Roe* [2011] EWHC 3930 (Ch), [2012] 19 PBLR;
- *Kensington Mortgage Company Ltd v Nicholas Dynes Gracey and Anor* [2010] EWHC 103 (Ch).

Recommendations

- "She has prodigious memory for facts, cases and procedure, and she is very approachable, a great team player and fun to work with." "She has great intellectual ability presented in a down-to-earth manner, making her accessible to both clients and solicitors." (Pensions, Chambers UK 2018)
- "She has a prodigious memory and appetite for work, as well as a good tactical sense." (Pensions, The Legal 500, 2017)
- "She's not simply a street fighter, she's a good technical trusts and pensions lawyer." (Pensions, Chambers UK, 2017)
- "She's very attentive to the client's commercial requirements and is also a technically excellent barrister." (Pensions, Chambers UK, 2017)
- "An incisive operator with forensic attention to detail." - (Pensions, The Legal 500, 2016)
- "She is technically excellent, has tremendous knowledge of the legislation and shows a great eye for detail." (Pensions, Chambers UK, 2016)
- "A bright but personable junior." (Pensions, Legal 500, 2015)
- "A junior known for her strong oratory skills and assertive advocacy style... she impresses solicitors with her energy and commitment." (Pensions, Chambers UK, 2015)
- "Acquiring an enviable reputation." (Pensions, Legal 500, 2014)
- "An up and coming junior with a rapidly developing pensions practice, she is able to handle a wide range of pensions issues and is recognised for her diligence and commitment." (Pensions, Chambers UK, 2014)
- "Bright and Enterprising." (Pensions, Chambers UK, 2013)

Qualifications

MA (Oxon) Jurisprudence – St Catherine's College; College Exhibitioner 2001-2002 and 2002-2003; Hammond Suddards Edge prize for best Finals Paper in Copyright and Moral Rights 2003; Bar Vocational Course – Inns of Court School of Law – 2005 (Very Competent)

Formerly Junior Counsel to the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills for Directors' Disqualification hearings.

Memberships

Association of Pension Lawyers;

Chancery Bar Association;

Commercial Bar Association

Other Details

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Bar Membership Number: 49055

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