

Aaron Luxton

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Commercial

Aaron Luxton is a commercial barrister with a particular focus on company and insolvency law, including directors' duties and disqualification, corporate restructurings, creditor and debtor litigation, and shareholder/company disputes.

Prior to joining the Bar, Aaron qualified as a solicitor in 2020 at Shoosmiths LLP, having gained experience in top-tier commercial and insolvency departments. His grounding in practice includes contentious and non-contentious insolvency, contract disputes, commercial litigation, and corporate restructuring.

Aaron previously practised at DWF LLP, where he appeared in over 300 court hearings as both a solicitor-advocate and, later, an employed barrister. His advocacy experience spans High Court and County Court proceedings, from interlocutory disputes and urgent injunctive relief, through to final trials. He is known for his pragmatic advice, courtroom composure, and solicitor-friendly approach.

Areas of Practice

- Corporate Insolvency & Restructuring
- Director Disqualification Proceedings
- Commercial & Contractual Disputes
- Company Law & Shareholder Disputes

Insolvency & Company Law Expertise

Aaron is regularly instructed in a wide range of insolvency-related disputes, acting for office holders, creditors, directors, and debtors. His advisory and advocacy work spans all stages of corporate and personal insolvency proceedings. He has particular experience dealing with winding up petitions, including urgent injunctions to restrain their advertisement, and statutory demands leading to bankruptcy applications. Aaron frequently appears in court in relation to applications for administration orders and extensions, as well as validation orders, annulments, and misfeasance claims. He advises extensively on directors' duties, including allegations of breach and exposure to personal liability, and is experienced in cases involving enforcement of security, retention of title disputes, and issues surrounding the strike off and dissolution of companies. Aaron also acts in director disqualification investigations and proceedings, including applications for leave to act under section 17 of the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986.

Recent and Ongoing Cases:

- Successfully represented a director in resisting a disqualification application, securing leave under s.17 of the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986 to continue acting as a director.

- Set aside multiple statutory demands served on individuals and companies under disputed personal guarantees.
- Secured a bankruptcy order for a commercial landlord in relation to rent arrears exceeding £60,000.
- Advised on the reinstatement of a dissolved company to recover assets and enforce a judgment.
- Obtained a final charging order in contested proceedings on behalf of a finance company.
- Represented both creditors and directors in urgent applications for injunctions to restrain the advertisement of winding up petitions.
- Advised on misfeasance and antecedent transaction claims under the Insolvency Act 1986.

Commercial & Contract Litigation

In addition to his insolvency work, Aaron is regularly instructed by both claimants and defendants in commercial disputes. He has acted in matters involving breach of contract, misrepresentation, and the enforcement of guarantees and indemnities. His practice covers consumer and financial services litigation, including motor finance and connected lender liability claims. Aaron also has experience advising on disputes concerning agency and franchise agreements, as well as complex shareholder and partnership disputes. His dual experience as a solicitor and barrister gives him a strong commercial perspective, and he is known for delivering clear, practical advice with a focus on resolution.

Recent and Ongoing Cases:

- Acted for a bank in setting aside a default judgment and defending a claim for alleged mis-selling of an investment product.
- Advised a trade wholesaler and secured judgment on a personal guarantee claim for outstanding sums due.
- Represented a vehicle manufacturer in successfully striking out a claim brought against the wrong legal entity.
- Settled pleadings and advised in a section 75 connected lender liability case.
- Regularly instructed in motor finance and "secret commission" trials.

Recommendations

"Aaron is an exceptional barrister. He is calm and well-measured, but also robust when necessary. Aaron has produced outstanding results for my clients and his attention to detail is second-to-none."
"Our go-to barrister. He is very knowledgeable in insolvency and always available. Priceless."
"I was very impressed with Aaron. He nailed it every single time. I would absolutely have no hesitation working with him again."
"A strong performer in insolvency and commercial matters, providing a really good service."
Chambers 2027/Restructuring/Insolvency/Leading Juniors/Midland Bar

Aaron is extremely helpful - he always goes the extra mile in trying to accommodate our clients' needs, whether that is budget or speed. Aaron's advice quickly gets to the heart of the complex issues, and he is always meticulous in his preparation - his track record in court for us is presently unmatched.
Legal 500 2027/Company and Insolvency/Leading Juniors/Midland Bar

'Aaron is an exemplary advocate, who is quick on his feet without compromising the quality of his submissions. His pragmatic approach and friendly presence makes working with him an absolute pleasure.'
Legal 500 2026/Company and Insolvency/Leading Juniors/Midland Bar

"*I have been really impressed with Aaron from the outset. He picked the brief up very quickly and despite the quite last minute instructions from us he worked over the weekend and prepared a very good skeleton argument for when I logged on Monday morning. His communication has been excellent throughout and he has been really thoughtful and measured with the advice he has given.*" **Instructing Solicitor**

"*I have instructed Aaron in relation to 2 matters recently, and have just booked him in relation to a third. In both cases in*

which Aaron has acted, the service he has provided has been outstanding. He is personable yet professional and has always gone "the extra mile" to achieve the best outcome." **Instructing Solicitor**

"*Excellent. Superbly responsive and the quality of work was excellent."* **Instructing Solicitor**

Academic qualifications

- LPC LLM: Distinction, University of Law, Birmingham
- BPTC: Very Competent, University of Law, Birmingham
- LLB Law (Hons): 1st Class, De Montfort University, Leicester

Scholarships

BPTC

- Robert Garraway Rice Scholarship, Middle Temple
- Advocacy Committee Scholarship, University of Law

LLB

- Middle Temple, Access to the Bar Award
- De Montfort University Law Alumni Scholarship
- Award for Outstanding Performance on LLB Programme
- Awards for Best Performance in Contract, Criminal and Land Law
- Sweet and Maxwell Prize for Best Overall Performance in First Year

Professional bodies

- Middle Temple
- Society of Construction Law
- R3, Insolvency and Restructuring