



# Oliver Ingham

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## Commercial

Oliver's primary commercial interest is in financial services and banking. Prior to coming to the bar Oliver worked as a Risk Analyst with a particular focus on AIM and secondary markets.

Oliver is currently instructed on two commercial court matters in his own right:

- A £1,000,000 commercial fraud claim against a former de facto director relating to the illicit diversion of business away from the company to a competitor
- A £1,200,000 claim (brought under FSMA 2000) in relation to a dispute over unsecured bond agreements (more particularly a civil action for breach of the COBS rules)

Oliver is also currently acting on a number of matters in the Chancery Division, including:

- Defending a £1,000,000 claim relating to a secured finance agreement on the basis of illegality and FSMA 2000
- A claim against a private share market for damages exceeding £1,000,000 relating to a refusal to list shares.

Oliver occasionally appears in the Queen's Bench Division, most recently in relation to a claim involving breach of confidence/privacy/libel (in a commercial context). Oliver has also appeared in the Technology and Construction Court in disputes where there is a "chancery" element to the case.

## The following cases are examples of Oliver's recent/on-going commercial work:

### **Hangar Holdings v Perlake [2021]**

Oliver represented the defendant pre-trial (including settling the pleadings) in relation to the allegation that a website domain name (blackjack.com) was held on trust by the defendant. The case confirmed for the first time that a domain name is intangible property which can be subject to equitable interests/held on trust.

### **Toucan Energy Holdings Limited Toucan Gen Co Limited v Wirsol Energy Limited [2021] EWHC 895 (Comm); [2021] 4 WLUK 35**

Oliver acted in a junior capacity assisting in relation to the litigation of a dispute worth £7,000,000 within the context of the telecoms industry.

### **Avonwick v Azito Holdings [2020] EWHC 1844 (Comm) | [2020] 7 WLUK 188**

Oliver was instructed by Quinn Emanuel LLP to assist in a junior capacity in relation to litigation arising over a multi-billion pound deal in which fraud and misrepresentation/and unjust enrichment were relied upon. This case was described by The

Lawyer as "one of the top cases litigated in 2020" as part of their annual publication of "Top 20 Cases of the Year".

#### **Premiair Areospace v Foley [2019] EWHC 1805 (QB) (before Whipple J)**

This case concerned the extent to which summary judgment should be available in cases involving dishonest assistance/knowing receipt when breach of trust is alleged.

#### **HCQ Sarl v Terre Primitive Limited [2019] EWHC 2556 (Ch); [2019] WLUK 385 (before Norris J)**

Oliver successfully represented the claimant in obtaining an injunction restraining the holding of a meeting/placement of the company into members voluntary liquidation (MVL). The case set out the principles to be applied when one seeks to injunct a company's members from placing the company into MVL.

#### **ROVOP v Install Sarl [2017] (Mercantile Court) (Moulder J)**

Proceedings relating to the interpretation of a settlement agreement in a £700,000 claim over international supply agreements

#### **Greenland Mining Management and ors v Persons Unknown [2017] EWHC (QB) 18 (King J)**

Injunction in the context of financial services

#### **X Market Technologies v Davies [2016] (Chancery Division)**

Abuse of process/dispute as to enforceability of contractual/liquidated damages clause

Along with the cases listed above, Oliver is being lead by David Berkley KC on a solicitor/partnership dispute and assisting as one of many juniors in a large international litigation regarding the oil and gas sector.

## **Recommendations**

Oliver Ingham of 3PB Barristers is an expert in probate litigation and often acts for clients in Inheritance Act claims. "A very good, measured advocate, who is commercially minded and very switched on."

**Chambers UK 2025/Chancery:** Traditional/London Bar

Strengths: "The tribunal finds him to be very engaging."

"He is passionate and tenacious without losing sight of the big picture."

"Oliver is very responsive, user friendly, driven and enthusiastic."

**Chambers UK 2024/Chancery:** Traditional/London Bar

**Chambers and Partners 2024 High Net Worth/Chancery:** Traditional – London (Bar)

Oliver Ingham is an expert in probate litigation and often acts for clients in Inheritance Act claims. He has also developed a niche in representing Islamic clients and adopting relevant principles when framing a civil claim.

Strengths: "*Oliver is extremely tenacious; you want him in your corner.*"

**Chambers UK 2023/Chancery:** Traditional/London Bar

**Chambers and Partners 2023 High Net Worth/Chancery:** Traditional – London (Bar)

Oliver Ingham of 3PB Barristers is an expert in probate litigation and often acts for clients in Inheritance Act claims. A source asserts: "*Oliver is extremely tenacious. You want him in your corner.*" Ingham has also developed a niche in Islamic finance matters and Shari'a inheritance.

**Chambers and Partners 2022 High Net Worth/Chancery:** Traditional – London (Bar)

'Oliver's commitment to his clients is second to none. He is a determined and clear advocate and a creative thinker.'

**Legal 500 2025/Private Client:** Trusts and Probate/Leading Junior/London Bar

*'Oliver is quick to identify the essential nature of the case and is adept at conveying that to the client. He is also very client-friendly.'*

**Legal 500 2024**/Private Client: Trusts and Probate/Leading Junior/London Bar

Rising star Oliver Ingham specialises in traditional Chancery litigation at all levels of the court system and is part of a team handling a high-profile Inheritance Act-related case, *Hirachand v Hirachand*, in the Supreme Court.

*'Oliver is quick to grasp the key issues. He is superb in mediation, holding his own against very experienced counsel on the other side and with the mediator.'*

**Legal 500 2024**/Chancery, Probate and Tax/Rising Star/Midlands Circuit – Ranked: Tier 1

*'Oliver Ingham is very hard-working and conscientious in his approach. He really cares for the client and does his utmost to achieve the best for the client. He is also really quick to respond and helpful in his hands-on approach.'*

**Legal 500 2023**/Private Client: Trusts and Probate/Rising Star/London Bar – Ranked: Tier 1

*"Rising star Oliver Ingham is praised for his 'good judgment and the ability to argue difficult cases' and successfully acted for a disabled adult child concerning an estate worth £1m."*

*'Oliver Ingham is hard-working, diligent, and thorough as well as being sympathetic to clients in difficult circumstances. He is responsive and approachable.'*

**Legal 500 2023**/Chancery, Probate and Tax/Rising Star/Midlands Circuit – Ranked: Tier 1

*"Oliver is very conscientious; he knows his subject area backwards. He always makes himself available when you need him. We have a lot of trust for him and he operates at a far higher level than his relatively modest number of years call would indicate."*

**Legal 500 2022**/Chancery, Probate and Tax/Rising Star/Midlands Circuit – Ranked: Tier 1

## Academic qualifications

- University of Exeter, LLB Law: 1st class degree (top 1st in all three years) (2013)
- University of Oxford, Bachelor of Civil Law (2014)

## Scholarships

- Lord Mansfield Scholarship (Lincoln's Inn)
- Sunley Pupillage Scholarship (Lincoln's Inn)
- Hardwike Scholarship (Lincoln's Inn)
- Sweet and Maxwell Prize (Top 3rd year)
- Oxford University Press Prize (Top 2nd year)
- Routledge Prize (Top 1st year)
- Bracton Law Prize
- Christina Sachs Law Prize
- Exeter Advocacy Prize
- Oxford University Law Faculty Prize (Individual Paper)
- SNR Denton Prize (Commercial Awareness)
- DLA Piper Prize

## **Professional bodies**

- STEP (Affiliate)
- Member of the Chancery Bar Association
- Member of the Association of Costs Lawyers