



# Robin Howard

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## Property and Estates

Robin Howard undertakes a wide variety of contentious Chancery matters, with a particular emphasis on real property, wills, probate and estate administration, and related professional negligence. He has appeared as an advocate before all the major divisions of the High Court, including the Court of Appeal, and before numerous specialist tribunals.

He is instructed to advise on the full range of property related matters, including commercial and residential landlord and tenant disputes, lease renewals, dilapidations, boundary disputes, easements, restrictive covenants, and land contracts. He is often instructed to obtain interim remedies in the Chancery Division, including injunctions and freezing injunctions.

Robin also advises on and acts in disputes relating to trusts, wills and inheritance, including claims under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependents) Act 1975, and the duties of trustees and personal representatives and the administration of estates

As a CEDR-accredited mediator, Robin looks for pragmatic and cost-effective solutions. At the same time, when the need arises, Robin is a tenacious and effective court room advocate.

### Recent Cases include:

**Rea v Rea [2022] EWCA Civ 195 [2022] 2 WLUK 253 Feb 2022:** successful in a contested will case in front of the Court of Appeal where court held that the Deputy Master judge, in preventing cross-examination, caused serious prejudice to his clients and a retrial was necessary, with a stay in proceedings to enable mediation to occur.

**White v Amirtharaja [2022] EWCA Civ 11 | [2022] 1 WLUK 57:** property dispute concerning Adverse Possession, advising and representing at all stages from the County Court via High Court to the Court of Appeal on a second appeal.