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Patrick Halliday is a highly regarded specialist in procurement and employment law. His practice also covers public law; pensions law (focusing on public sector schemes, discrimination and public law aspects of pensions); and commercial disputes involving former employees and directors.

Patrick is a member of the Attorney General's "*A Panel*" of counsel.

He is recommended by the legal directories in four practice areas: procurement (tier one); employment (tier one); administrative & public; and pensions. In June 2021, he was named "*Barrister of the Week*" in the Lawyer magazine.

> ***Has a really flexible, user-friendly approach and totally understands what is required in a case. You don't have to explain things to him.***
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> WHO'S WHO LEGAL

Expertise

Commercial Litigation

Patrick's commercial work focuses on claims against former employees and directors, including applications for urgent injunctive relief. He has acted in various 'team move' disputes, both in this jurisdiction and in the DIFC (where he is registered).

Patrick regularly represents both claimants and defendants in applications for interim relief in the Chancery Division and in the Queen's Bench Division.

Aon UK Limited and others v Howden Group Holdings Limited and others

(ONGOING IN 2025)

acting for individual defendant in major team move litigation.

Mercia Underwriting Solutions v Simon Careless

(2024, KB-2023-BHM-000226)

contested application for interim relief and subsequent trial of claims for breaches of restrictive covenants (claimant withdrew claim against Patrick's client and agreed to pay his costs on day one of trial).

Lonmar Global Risks Ltd & another v Wordsworth & others

(2024, KB-2024-000540)

contested application for springboard relief.

Consulting Firm A v Consulting Firm B

(2021, HC AND DIFC)

multinational, multi-jurisdictional, multi- party, high value team move and restrictive covenants dispute, in the London High Court and in the DIFC (led by James Laddie KC).

Consulting Firm A v Consulting Firm B

2021

multinational, multi-jurisdictional, multi- party, high value team move and restrictive covenants dispute, in the London High Court and in the DIFC (led by James Laddie KC).

Universal Lifting & Moving Services Ltd v Kavanagh

2018

acting for claimant company in claim against its former managing director that he destroyed its business by resigning without sufficient notice, diverting business to a competitor and soliciting other employees to join a competitor (sole counsel).

OCS Group Ltd v Ahitan & others

2017

acting for defendant employee in claim in Chancery Division for alleged misuse of confidential information (sole counsel).

Bridge McFarland v Jones

2016

obtaining urgent interim relief against a law firm's ex-employee, injuncting him from using or selling various domain names and websites, and obliging him to provide an affidavit describing his dealings in the same (sole counsel).

Wolverhampton City Council v Mitie Property Services (UK) Ltd

2015

multi-million pound pensions claim in Chancery Division involving allegations of conspiracy (led by Tim Kerr KC).

Wolverhampton City Council v Mitie Property Services (UK) Ltd

2015

multi-million pound claim in Chancery Division by which the administering authority of a LGPS fund sought to recover an 'exit debt' from a transferee admission body.

LS Systems v Scott

[2015] EWHC 1335 (CH)

successful claims arising out of £1.4m misappropriation of company funds (breach of fiduciary duty, declaration of constructive trust, and proprietary orders over properties into which trust funds were traced).

Achievements

Appointments

Attorney General's 'A' Panel of Counsel (since 2021).

News, Articles & Publications

'The Remuneration Codes' in *Conduct and Pay in the Financial Services Industry* (2017, Routledge, ed Ogg and Leiper)

'European Union Law' in *Tolley's Employment Handbook* (2016, LexisNexis)

Joint editor of 11KBW's Procurement & State Aid Briefing

Restitution and Public Bodies (Judicial Review Vol 12 Issue 3)

Education

First class degree in Social and Political Sciences from Pembroke College, Cambridge University

Distinction in the law conversion course at City University

Other

Bedingfield Scholarship and Arden Senior Scholarship from Gray's Inn

Foundation Scholarship and a Foundress Prize from Pembroke College

Major scholarship at Haileybury College

Member of ELBA, ALBA, ELA, PLA, COMBAR

Very easy to get on with, very bright and very client-friendly.

CHAMBERS & PARTNERS

Has a really flexible, user-friendly approach and totally understands what is required in a case. You don't have to explain things to him.

WHO'S WHO LEGAL

An excellent junior counsel able to handle independently complex procurement law cases.

WHO'S WHO LEGAL

Meticulously well-prepared

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An excellent cross-examiner

WHO'S WHO LEGAL

He's a brilliant barrister with a ferociously insightful mind, who is enormously client-friendly and reassuringly calm at all time.

LEGAL 500

Thorough, hard-working and a man of real intellectual sharpness.

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A deft touch with clients, opponents and judges alike. Reliably and consistently excellent.

LEGAL 500

Extraordinarily incisive and clear in his analysis

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