Daniel Isenberg



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Daniel's practice spans Chambers' core areas of work, with a particular focus on commercial, civil fraud, employment, business protection, data protection and public law matters.

He is ranked in the Legal 500 for employment law, and in Chambers and Partners in administrative and public and data protection law. Daniel has also been appointed to the Equality and Human Rights Commission's B Panel of Counsel.

Daniel was previously the Judicial Assistant to Lord Sumption and Lord Carnwath at the Supreme Court, assisting the Justices on a number of the leading and high-profile cases across Chambers' areas of practice. Before coming to the Bar he was a fast-streamer at the Ministry of Defence.

> ***First-rate professional in mind and in practice. A future heavyweight silk without doubt.***
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Expertise

Commercial & Business Protection

Daniel accepts instructions (both led and unled) in all areas of commercial dispute resolution and business protection matters. He has particular experience in claims relating to breach of directors'/fiduciary duties and boardroom disputes.

Current and recent instructions include:

- Acting in a breach of directors' duties, conspiracy and restitution claim brought by a public company against both a former director and one of its shareholders.
- Acting as sole counsel for a former CEO in contractual claims against a publicly-listed company.
- Acting for an individual defendant in multi-party conspiracy and breach of duty claim brought by a publicly-listed company.
- Advising a solicitor in relation to a contentious exit from a firm, including in relation to the scope and applicability of various covenants.
- Arbitration proceedings in a team move case for an international law firm.

Stobart Group Ltd v Tinkler

[2019] EWHC 258 (COMM)

concerning an executive director's breach of his fiduciary and contractual duties.

Abramovich v Hoffmann

(CHD)

a high-profile claim for breaches of fiduciary and contractual duties, and for restitution of tax liability paid to HMRC.

Idris-Goudarz v Goudarz

[2020] EWHC 1878 (CH)

acting as sole counsel in a multi-day Chancery Division trial for the applicant, successfully enforcing a Tomlin Order and resisting her father's debt claim under purported oral agreements.

Achievements

Education

BA History, University of Cambridge, Pembroke College – *Double First Class*

Graduate Diploma in Law (GDL), City University, London – *Distinction (top of year)*

Bar Professional Training Course (BPTC), City University, London – *Outstanding*

LL.M., Harvard Law School (Frank Knox Memorial Fellow)

Awards

Scholarships and fellowships:

- Phoenicia Scholarship (*Bar European Group*), 2016
- Wyndham Deedes Memorial Scholarship for Clerkship at the Supreme Court of Israel, 2015
- Student Fellowship at the Project on the Foundations of Private Law (*Harvard Law School*), 2014-15
- Frank Knox Memorial Fellowship (*Harvard University*), 2014-15
- Conference Scholarship (*ALBA*), 2013
- Excellence Award Scholarship for BPTC (*City University, London*), 2013
- Queen Mother's Scholarships for GDL and BPTC (*Middle Temple*), 2012, 2013
- Foundation Scholarship (*Pembroke College, Cambridge*), 2009, 2010

Other awards and prizes:

- Certificate of Honour for BPTC results (*Middle Temple*), 2014
- HRLA Judicial Review Competition – 2nd Place, 2014
- 3 Verulam Buildings Prize for Best GDL Performance (*City University, London*), 2013
- Excellence Prize for Highest Mark for an Intending Barrister (*City University, London*), 2013
- City GDL Mooting Competition – Winner, 2013
- UK Supreme Court Blog Essay Competition – Winner, 2013
- Certificate in Intelligence Studies (*King's College, London*), 2012
- Brian Riley Declamation Prize (*Pembroke College, Cambridge*), 2009
- Various College Prizes (*Pembroke College, Cambridge*), 2008-10

Other

Prior to becoming a barrister Daniel spent two years as a desk officer in the fast-stream at the Ministry of Defence. He worked on various national and international security matters, including the defence effort for the London 2012 Olympics.

Daniel has also previously spent time as a 'Foreign Law Clerk' to Justice Hanan Melcer at the Supreme Court of Israel; volunteered as a student attorney at the Harvard Prison Legal Assistance Project; and regularly contributed to the UK Human Rights Blog.

Daniel is currently enjoying the unexpected meteoric rise of Nottingham Forest.

> ***He has very, very good drafting skills.***
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> CHAMBERS & PARTNERS

> ***He is an excellent advocate who is robust and commercial.***
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> ***He has a good command of case law and he is not afraid to push the boundaries in developing fresh legal arguments that have not been run before.***
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> ***Daniel has a superb intellect. He is good at analysing the legal issues in a case, and writes extremely well.***
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> ***Daniel to be wise, practical and incredibly adaptable and responsive. A great team player who was good at building a rapport with the client and offering solutions to knotty problems in a fast- paced matter.***
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> ***He's highly intelligent, great with clients and responsive.***
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> ***He's very bright and very good to work with.***
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Superb legal insight, excellent drafting and affable manner...Very capable and one to watch.

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Quick, smart, helpful and hardworking.

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