

# Jamie Susskind

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*"a barrister of extraordinary talent."* (Legal 500)

*"an absolute star who continues to operate light-years ahead of his call."* (Chambers & Partners)

*"a superb advocate."* (Chambers & Partners)

*"combines a supreme intellect with dedication and leadership."* (Legal 500)

*"calm and unflappable... a true standout."* (Legal 500)

*"fantastically responsive and involved"* (Chambers & Partners)

Jamie is a leading commercial barrister. He accepts only a limited number of instructions each year, and is usually sought after for the most challenging and high-profile disputes.



***Jamie is a barrister of extraordinary talent. He has the ability to understand complex matters at high speed, anatomically dissect and reassemble them effortlessly and present them all with an ease and charm that is unique. His oratory is both powerful and compelling***

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# Expertise

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## Employment

Jamie's employment practice has two aspects.

The first is his High Court practice (see "**Commercial Litigation**" above) in cases typically relating to confidential information and trade secrets, restrictive covenants, and breaches of contractual and fiduciary duties. Jamie appears regularly in the various divisions of the High Court, and is highly experienced in seeking and resisting urgent applications for interim relief, including imaging orders, prohibitory and mandatory injunctions, springboard relief, confidentiality injunctions, and orders for delivery up/destruction/inspection.

The second aspect is in the Employment Tribunal and EAT, where Jamie tends to act in heavy discrimination and whistleblowing cases of the highest sensitivity and importance. Jamie is usually instructed where there are significant reputational, regulatory, and financial consequences at stake. He is known for the quality of his cross-examination and submissions.

Jamie welcomes *pro bono* instructions from claimants who are otherwise unable to afford legal representation.



***Jamie is a technical master and a go-to junior for difficult cases.***

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### Dare International Ltd v Soliman & Hikmet

[2025] EWHC 227 (KB)

Jamie acted (with Paul Goulding KC, Christian Davies, and Aliya al-Yassin) for the claimant energy derivatives trading company, against two of its former senior traders who had resigned to join a competitor.

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### Guy Carpenter and Company Limited & ors v Howden Group Holdings Limited & ors

(with David Craig KC, Michael Lee, and Craig Rajgopaul) – reinsurance industry "team move" litigation involving allegations of conspiracy.

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### Alesco Risk Management Services Limited & Ors v Bishopsgate Insurance Brokers Limited & Ors

[2019] EWHC 2839 (QB)

(with David Craig KC and Amy Rogers) – insurance industry "team move" litigation involving allegations of dishonesty and conspiracy to injure.

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### JLT Specialty Ltd & Ors v Gordon & Ors

(with Gavin Mansfield KC) – insurance industry "team move" litigation.

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### Willis v JLT and others

(with Gavin Mansfield KC and Amy Rogers) – insurance industry “team move” litigation.

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### Vanden Recycling Ltd v Kras Recycling BV and others

[2015] EWHC 3616 (QB); [2017] EWCA Civ 534

(led by Jonathan Cohen KC) – employee competition litigation in the QBD and Court of Appeal.

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### Mele v Angela Mortimer Plc & Ors

multi-week whistleblowing and discrimination litigation. Jamie acted for the Claimant, a senior executive.

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### Bleasdale v Quest Fund Placement Limited

bonus claim in the private equity industry.

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### Potensis Ltd v Bennett

(sole counsel) – procured an injunction and favourable costs order in the QBD against a real estate employee acting in breach of his post-termination restrictions.

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### Moving Brands Ltd v Heini & Lääkkö

[2023] EAT 34

on the law of privilege

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### Cowie v Vesuvius Plc

multi-week whistleblowing and age discrimination litigation. Jamie acted successfully for the successful Claimant, a senior executive.

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### Confidential

a whistleblowing unfair dismissal claim involving allegations of child abuse.

## Achievements

## News, Articles & Publications

*The Digital Republic: On Freedom and Democracy in the 21st Century* (Bloomsbury, 2022)

*Future Politics: Living Together in a World Transformed by Tech* (Oxford University Press, 2018).

Jamie is the co-author of two chapters in *International Employment Disputes* (Eds. Oudkerk and Rogers, Sweet & Maxwell, 2019)

Jamie has recently contributed articles to the *New York Times*, *The Times*, *Wired*, *Fast Company*, the *New Statesman*, and elsewhere.

## Education & Awards

## Education

- MA Oxon, History & Politics, Magdalen College, University of Oxford (top 1st in university year) (2010)
- Oxford University William Gladstone Memorial Prize (2010)
- Oxford University Gibbs Book Prize (2010)
- Magdalen College Atkinson Prize (2010)
- Oxford Union Edward Tomlinson Memorial Prize (2009-2010)
- Magdalen College Angus McIntyre Prize (2009)
- Magdalen College Demyship (scholarship) (2009)
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- First Class (Distinction), Preliminary Examinations (2008)
- Gray's Inn James Hunt Advocacy prize (2014)
- Gray's Inn Arden Scholarship (2014)
- Gray's Inn Bedingfield Scholarship (2013)
- Gray's Inn David Karmel Entrance Award (2012)

## Other

### About Jamie

Jamie's interests outside the law include politics, history, golf, coffee, and his miniature dachshund. His first book was an academic monograph called *Karl Marx and British Intellectuals in the 1930s* (Burford: Davenant Press, 2011). As a youngster he was captain of the England Schools Debating Team and, at one stage, ranked the best individual debater in the world.

In 2011 Jamie studied Kung Fu with Shaolin monks in a mountainous region of eastern China – an experience from which he is still recovering.

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***Jamie is an exceptional barrister. He has a knack for cutting through complexity to simplify things and make a point far more persuasive than many of his peers. He is always responsive. His advocacy is also superb.***

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***Combines a supreme intellect with dedication and leadership, and is calm and unflappable. He is a true standout among a large crowd of rising stars. One of the best examples of a born KC - he is so obviously going to make it to the top.***

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***Exceptionally responsive and tactically astute***

CHAMBERS &amp; PARTNERS

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***Charming, articulate, will get stuck into anything, and is very good indeed with clients. He has remarkable breadth of experience for one so junior - and a prize winning author has particular expertise on the intersection between employment law and technology, meaning that he is perfectly placed to usher in the brave new world of technology in the workplace.***

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***Fantastically responsive and involved", "incredibly insightful" and "a real pleasure to work with"***

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***Undoubtedly a star of the future***

LEGAL 500



***Very energetic, extremely intelligent and responsive***

LEGAL 500



***Very bright and hard-working***

CHAMBERS & PARTNERS



***An excellent mind***

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