Daniel Stilitz KC

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Daniel Stilitz KC's practice includes employment, public, partnership, commercial and sports law. His recent cases have covered whistleblowing, business protection, discrimination, industrial relations, human rights, local government, health and commercial judicial review. He is regularly instructed on complex trials and in the appellate courts.

As well as appearing as an advocate, Dan regularly sits as a mediator and as an investigator, and is a member of the FA General Appeals Panel and Judicial Panel. In 2019, he was appointed Joint Head of Chambers at 11KBW.

Dan is recognised as a "thought leader" in employment law and is consistently rated as one of the most highly regarded silks at the employment bar.

"an excellent and persuasive advocate" **Chambers & Partners 2023**

"... A very good advocate who wins the court over ... He makes the court like his argument, like him and like the client" **Chambers & Partners**

> ***Daniel Stilitz KC jumps to mind whenever I need a barrister to get behind some creative thinking on a knotty legal problem. He is also exceptionally user-friendly and he wins over clients and judges alike***
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> CHAMBERS & PARTNERS

Expertise

Sport

Dan regularly advises football clubs and managers regarding contractual and other disputes, and has also acted for teams in Formula 1 motor racing and cricket, as well as other elite sporting organisations.

> ***Daniel is a brilliantly accessible barrister. He's fast and responsive but distils his thoughts into the key points, succinctly delivered.***
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English Cricket Board v Yorkshire County Cricket Club

2023

Dan acted for YCCC in relation to claims of race discrimination and bringing the game of cricket into disrepute arising from allegations made by Azeem Rafiq

Former CEO/Team Principal v Leading F1 Team

(2023 – 2024)

acted for a leading F1 team defending claims brought former CEO and team principal in the High Court for constructive dismissal and shares

Athlete X v Sporting Body Y

2020

Successfully representing a British athlete before a sports arbitral body on appeal against her deselection from Team GB for the Tokyo Olympics

Carneiro v Chelsea FC & Mourinho

2016

Acting for Premier League Football Club and its former manager – sex discrimination and constructive dismissal – claim by former first team doctor

Nescar SL v Middlesbrough FC

(2011, QBD)

Acting for Spanish sports services agency – agency agreement for transfer of professional footballer – breach of contract – implied terms

Gascoyne v Force India Ltd

GASCOYNE V FORCE INDIA LTD

Acting for Formula One motor racing team – gross underperformance of Chief Technical Officer – wrongful dismissal – loss of chance

Achievements

News, Articles & Publications

Contributor to *Conduct and Pay In the Financial Services Industry: The Regulation of Individuals* (eds Ogg and Leiper). Informa Law from Routledge, 2017.

Contributor to *Tolley's Employment Handbook*, 39th Edition (2025) (Trade Unions and Industrial Action)

Joint author (with Philip Sales) of *'Intentional Infliction of Harm by Unlawful Means'* Law Quarterly Review (1999) 411

Joint author (with Michael Supperstone KC and Clive Sheldon) of *'ADR and Public Law'* Public Law (2006) 299

Education

1987-1990: New College, Oxford University. BA Hons in Philosophy, Politics and Economics, First Class

1990-1992: City University. 1991: Diploma in Law CPE with Distinction

1992: MA in Law

Other

CEDR-trained Mediator since 1997. Regularly sits as a mediator in commercial, public law and employment disputes.

1999: Appointed to the Attorney General's 'B' Panel

2006: Appointed to the Attorney General's 'A' Panel

Memberships:

Member of COMBAR, ELBA, ALBA, ILS and ELA

He is a great team player and he can see through all of the issues to get to the heart of the case pretty quickly, balancing that with commercial nous

CHAMBERS & PARTNERS

His easy manner with clients establishes a great rapport and instils confidence

CHAMBERS & PARTNERS

He is an exceptional advocate

CHAMBERS & PARTNERS

He is a superstar. Incredibly clever, not afraid to take decisions, excellent on his feet, and a number one choice on any injunction matter without a doubt

LEGAL 500

Daniel is very user friendly, has an excellent manner with clients and is absolutely first class as a trial advocate when on his feet – particularly during cross-examination

LEGAL 500

Very easy to get on with – not imposing or intimidating despite being astronomically intelligent.

CHAMBERS & PARTNERS

A standout silk. Intelligent, hardworking and user-friendly.

LEGAL 500

Fabulous manner with both clients and tribunals, and he is constructive and commercial.

LEGAL 500

He has an air of authority that comes from his long experience. He's very calm and is technically excellent.

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