

Andris Rudzitis

YEAR OF CALL: 2019

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Practice Overview

Andris joined chambers in September 2021, following the successful completion of his pupillage under the supervision of Sarah Love, Gerard Rothschild and Roger Masefield QC.

Andris graduated from the University of Oxford with First Class Honours in Theology in 2013 (top of his year) and subsequently an MPhil and DPhil. He then completed the GDL and BPTC at City Law School. Before commencing pupillage, Andris worked as the judicial assistant to Lord Justice Patten in the Court of Appeal.

Commercial

- *Loreley Financing v Credit Suisse* (a claim in deceit and misrepresentation arising out of an allegedly fraudulent CDO transaction linked to a portfolio of residential mortgage backed securities in 2007)
- *Federal Republic of Nigeria v JP Morgan* (a claim alleging breach of the Quincecare duty of care, for in excess of \$875 million (as a pupil with Roger Masefield QC, Richard Blakeley and Jonathan Scott). This is one of The Lawyer's Top 20 Cases of 2019)
- *Stockoe Partnership Solicitors v Grayson & others* (a claim for breach of confidence and unlawful conspiracy involving allegations of unlawful hacking of confidential information, as a pupil with Tim Lord QC, Gerard Rothschild and Frederick Wilmot-Smith)
- *Amira c Foods International v IDBI Bank CA-004-2021* (an appeal before the Dubai Court of Appeal on the issue of abuse of process in relation to proceedings for the recovery of sums outstanding from a facilities agreement, as a pupil with Roger Masefield QC)

- *PT Ventures v Vidatel* (opposed application in the BVI to wind-up Vidatel to satisfy an arbitration award and court order in favour of PT Ventures in the value of over USD 390m, raising issues of abuse of process, as a pupil with Roger Masefield QC)
- An arbitration involving allegations of breach of contract and infringements of EU law seeking damages worth c.£150 million, as a pupil with Helen Davies QC and Gerard Rothschild.
- Advised a reinsurer in relation to the scope of coverage provided by several policies of excess loss reinsurance in relation to business interruption claims arising out of the Covid-19 pandemic, as a pupil with Roger Masefield QC.
- *Xerox v FM Insurance* (insurance claims for losses arising out of the Covid-19 pandemic, as a pupil with Roger Masefield QC).

Competition

- *Michael O'Higgins FX Class Representative Ltd. v. Barclays & others* (Mr O'Higgins' application to the Competition Appeal Tribunal for a Collective Proceedings Order and the ensuing carriage dispute (the first of its kind in English law) seeking follow-on damages for the victims of foreign exchange cartels, as a pupil with Daniel Jowell QC and Gerard Rothschild).
- *Facebook v CMA* [2021] EWCA Civ 701 (Facebook's appeal before the Court of Appeal in relation to a refusal by the CMA to grant derogations from an interim enforcement order in connection with Facebook's acquisition of GIPHY Inc., as a pupil Robert O'Donoghue QC, Gerard Rothschild and Tom Pascoe).
- Advised a client in the electricity sector on alleged non-compliance with licence conditions, as a pupil with Gerard Rothschild.

Public Law

- *R (Bluebird Boats Ltd) v The Royal Parks Ltd* [2020] EWHC 3647 (Admin) (application for permission for judicial review and interim relief challenging the decision to refuse Bluebird Boats permission to continue trading on the Serpentine, as a pupil with Maya Lester QC, Sarah Love and Richard Howell).
- *Live Nation v The Royal Parks* (a public procurement challenge of a tender exercise to award the Hyde Park Music Festival, as a pupil with Sarah Love).
- *R (Medical Defence Union) v Secretary of State for Health* (state aid challenge to the assumption by the State of GPs' clinical negligence liabilities, with James Flynn QC and Sarah Love).
- Acting for Ofwat before the CMA (as a pupil with Jemima Stratford QC and Sarah Love)

EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

Professional Experience

2019-20: Judicial Assistant to Lord Justice Patten, Court of Appeal

Education

2018-19: BPTC, City Law School

2017-18: GDL, City Law School

2015-17: DPhil, St Cross College, Oxford

2013-15: MPhil, Pembroke College, Oxford

2010-13: BA, Pembroke College, Oxford (First Class, top of year)

Prizes and Scholarships

- Bar European Group John and Sophie Laws Scholar

Lincoln's Inn

- Lord Bowen Scholarship
- Denning Scholarship

City Law School

- City Law School Scholarship for BPTC
- City Law School Scholarship for GDL

Academic prizes at the University of Oxford

- AHRC Full Scholarship (funded DPhil)
- Pembroke College Graduate Scholarship (funded MPhil)
- Crewdson Trust Scholarship
- Gibbs Prize for top mark in Finals Examinations
- Domus Scholarship – Pembroke College