

Tim Johnston

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Practice Overview

Tim is recognised as a leading junior in all his key areas of work. The directories describe him as "very insightful and knowledgeable", "an excellent communicator and advocate" with a "vivid turn of phrase" and "an obvious leader... [and] go to junior." (Legal 500 and Chambers and Partners 2022).

His practice spans public law, public international law, civil liberties and human rights, and EU/Competition law.

He regularly appears in ground-breaking cases such as *Pfizer Inc and another v Competition and Markets Authority* [2022] UKSC 14; *Okpabi v Royal Dutch Shell Plc* [2021] UKSC 3; *Lungowe and Others v Vedanta Resources Plc* [2019] UKSC 20; and "*Miller 1*" [2017] UKSC 5. He is currently instructed in four cases before the Court of Appeal, as well as various matters before the European Courts in Luxembourg and the European Court of Human Rights.

He has particular expertise in climate and environmental matters. He regularly advises and acts for environmental charities, such as ClientEarth, and has advised public authorities in relation to scrappage schemes, low emissions zones, emissions targets and renewable energy.

Legal 500 describes Tim as "An obvious leader in the public law field." He is currently instructed on behalf of a large group of Claimants challenging the Government's policy of deporting asylum seekers to Rwanda (to be heard in July 2022). He recently appeared in *R (British Sugar Plc) v Secretary of State for International Trade* [2022] EWHC 393 (Admin), the first post-Brexit case concerning UK tariffs and a major authority on the interpretation of the Northern Ireland Protocol. He has an established reputation in complex Convention claims: he appeared in the Tobacco Plain Packaging litigation and is currently instructed in an application to the Strasbourg Court concerning Article 14 discrimination. In the regulatory

field, Tim will appear before the Court of Appeal this term in a case concerning the statutory definition of plying for hire and appeared in Uber London Limited's licence appeals in 2018 and 2020. He regularly advises the Legal Services Board, Ofsted and other regulators. He also has considerable experience in the financial services sphere. He appeared before the High Court on behalf of the loss-making investors in London and Capital Finance (against the FSCS) and is instructed in major judicial review in the Cayman Islands (against CIMA). In the past, Tim appeared in the Miller "Article 50" litigation before the Supreme Court, the *Pfizer Inc v the Competition and Markets Authority* (concerning the recoverability of costs from public authorities again before the Supreme Court) and acted for one of the Core Participants before the Independent Inquiry into Child Sex Abuse.

Tim also has considerable public international law experience, acting for NGOs, private parties and States in a variety of forums. He has been instructed by the International Commission of Jurists and the CORE Alliance (pro bono) in the Supreme Court on two occasions. He has also acted for the UK Government before various international bodies and regularly advises on questions of international law, business and human rights, international environmental law and trade.

Tim has a busy competition law practice acting both for and against regulators. Legal 500 describes him as an "excellent communicator and advocate" who produces "powerful, persuasive documents" and has a "down to earth manner." He acted for Pfizer, successfully challenging the CMA's decision that Pfizer had charged an unlawful price for a pharmaceutical product (including on appeal to the Court of Appeal). He also acted for Ping up to the Court of Appeal challenging the CMA's decision that a restriction on internet sales was an abuse of dominant position. He is now instructed to challenge a further excessive pricing decision at first instance (hydrocortisone). Tim also acts in follow-on damages actions. He is instructed to act for the largest claimant group in the Trucks litigation claim and for a defendant in the Smart Card Chips and DRAMs claims (both of which have gone to the Court of Appeal).

In the field of EU law, Legal 500 describes Tim as an "out-of-the-box thinker, dependable and experienced in EU law matters." He is called to the Bar in Ireland (2018) and has rights of audience before the CJEU. He has appeared alone before the European Court of Justice in a number of cases including the UK's reference concerning the Second Tobacco Products Directive. He has also been instructed in the Austrian Government's challenge to the lawfulness of the State aid measures concerning Hinkley Point C and in a reference from the Supreme Court in Case C-316/15 *Hemming v Westminster City Council*. He regularly advises and acts for a range of government departments, local authorities and private contractors in the fields of public procurement, subsidy and State aid and is currently instructed before the General Court in the UK Government's challenge to the Commission's Decision that the UK taxation regime for wholly controlled foreign companies is a breach of State aid law.

Tim has particular expertise in private international law, and regularly advises on conflict of laws and jurisdiction. He has also acted in various heavyweight commercial disputes as a junior to Mark Howard

QC, Tim Lord QC and Charles Hollander QC.

- Member of the Attorney General's B Panel of Counsel with Developed Vetting clearance, the Welsh Government's Panel of Counsel and the EHRC's Panel of Counsel.
- Called to the Bar in Ireland (2018).
- Trustee of Justice Defenders, a leading charity working in prisons in Africa to improve access to education, healthcare and justice.
- Tim is a member of ALBA, COMBAR, Procurement Lawyers Association and the UK State Aid Law Association.

Public Law

Tim carries out a wide range of public and public international law work, with a particular emphasis on cases that raise complex questions of human rights law. He regularly appears in leading cases on behalf of both Claimants and Defendants.

He has significant expertise in the law of surveillance (including drones), counter-terrorism and information law as well as electoral law.

He is currently instructed to act for one of the Core Participants in the Independent Inquiry into Child Sex Abuse.

He is a member of the Attorney General's B Panel of Counsel with Developed Vetting Clearance, the Welsh Government's Panel of Counsel and the EHRC's Panel of Counsel with Developed Vetting Clearance.

His notable instructions include:

Judicial Review/Administrative Law:

- *Donegan and others v Financial Services Compensation Scheme*, Tim is instructed in this complex judicial review claim arising out of the collapse of London & Capital Finance (a financial services company). He is instructed on behalf of four Claimants to challenge the FSCS's refusal to pay compensation to investors that were not specifically advised that the product – in which they invested – was an ISA.
- *Pfizer Inc and Pfizer Limited v Competition and Markets Authority* [2020] EWCA Civ 617. Tim was instructed to appear in this appeal concerning the proper approach when considering an application for costs against a public authority on a statutory appeal (in this case in the context an appeal to the Competition Appeal Tribunal).
- *R (British Telecommunications Plc) v Her Majesty's Treasury* [2020] EWCA (Civ) 1. Instructed for the Treasury to resist this high profile judicial review, before the Divisional Court. BT is currently seeking permission to appeal to the Court of Appeal.

- *Uber London Limited v Transport for London*. Tim was instructed by Transport for London in relation to Uber's licence appeals in both 2020 and 2018. Tim also acted in the connected judicial review claims (before the Divisional Court) concerning an allegation of bias in respect of the Chief Magistrate [2019] EWHC 409 (Admin), as a junior to Martin Chamberlain QC and concerning an allegation that Uber could not lawfully continue to trade pending its appeal (as a junior to Marie Demetriou QC).
- *R (Law Society) v Lord Chancellor* [2018] EWHC 2094 (Admin). Tim was instructed to appear for the Lord Chancellor before the Divisional Court in this complex case concerning reforms to the legal aid regime.
- *R (Uber London Limited) v Transport for London* [2018] EWCA Civ 1213. Tim was instructed to act for TfL in the High Court and the Court of Appeal, as a junior to Martin Chamberlain QC. The case raised two broad issues: freedom of establishment in EU law and indirect discrimination under the Equality Act and under the Human Rights Act. The Court of Appeal allowed TfL's appeal and reversed the judgment below.
- *R (Miller) and others v Secretary of State for Exiting the European Union* [2017] UKSC 5. Appeared before the Divisional Court and the Supreme Court in the "Article 50" challenge, concerning the lawfulness of the Government's intention to trigger Article 50 without Parliamentary Authority (as junior to Helen Mountfield QC and Gerry Facenna QC).
- *British American Tobacco v Department for Health* [2016] EWCA Civ 1182. Tim appeared before the High Court and Court of Appeal in this leading case concerning the lawfulness of the 'Plain Packaging' Regulations in the United Kingdom (as a junior to Kelyn Bacon QC).
- *R (on the application of Prudential Plc.) v Special Commissioner for Income Tax* [2013] UKSC (1) appeared before a seven-member panel of the Supreme Court as sole junior to Sir Sydney Kentridge QC and Tom Adam QC in the leading case concerning the scope of legal professional privilege.

Human Rights:

- *R (Doctors UK) v Secretary of State for Health*. Tim is acting for Doctor's UK in this important challenge concerning inadequate provision of PPE during the Covid-19 pandemic and the duty – under Article 2 – to investigate the resulting deaths.
- *R (Amey Ltd and others) v Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government*, Tim is instructed by the Claimants in this case which concerns whether a retrospective amendment to secondary legislation – which deprived Amey of its entitlement to an 'Exit Credit' from a public sector pension scheme – unlawfully interfered with the Claimants' A1P1 and Article 6 rights.
- In May 2019 Tim appeared unled for the UK Government at trial in *Louca v Secretary of State for Defence* a claim alleging breaches of Articles 3, 5 and 8 and concerning an incident at an overseas British military base in Cyprus.
- Currently instructed to act for the UK Government in a complex matter concerning Article 3 (and Article 2) rights, before the European Court of Human Rights and the UK High Court.

- *Janet Alder v Kingston Upon Hull City Council and another*. A significant claim concerning the scope of Articles 8, 3 and 14 arising out of the treatment of the Claimant's brother's dead body.

Public International Law:

- Tim regularly advises the UK Government on its international law obligations, including those arising out of the EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement, the Northern Ireland Protocol and the WTO Agreement on Subsidies and Countervailing Measures.
- *Okpabi and Others v Royal Dutch Shell Ltd*. Tim is instructed pro bono for the International Commission of Jurists and the Corporate Responsibility Coalition before the Supreme Court in this claim concerning the liability of Shell for environmental damage and personal injury resulting from an oil spill by one of Shell's subsidiaries in the Niger Delta. Judgment is awaited.
- *Lungowe and Others v Vedanta Resources Plc* [2019] UKSC 20. Tim acted pro bono for the International Commission of Jurists and the Corporate Responsibility Coalition in this important claim concerning the liability of a parent company for the human rights and environmental abuses of its overseas subsidiary. Tim's clients intervened in the Supreme Court to make submissions about the relevant international and comparative law standards in this area.
- Instructed to advise a high-profile NGO concerning the remedies available in domestic and international law to overseas victims of slavery wishing to bring claims against UK-listed companies complicit in their abuse (together with Professor Robert McCorquodale QC).
- Acted in a complaint before the United Nations Committee on the Rights of Disabled Persons (as a junior to Martin Chamberlain QC).
- *Al Nashiri v Poland Application* no. 28761/11 advised Ben Emmerson (the UN Special Rapporteur for the promotion and protection of human rights and fundamental freedoms while countering terrorism) in respect of his intervention before the European Court of Human Rights (as junior to Martin Chamberlain QC).
- Advised on questions of state immunity in a claim arising out of damage to property suffered during ethnic violence in NATO-controlled Kosovo (as a junior to Martin Chamberlain QC)

Electoral law:

- *R (Lutfur Rahman) v Local Government Election Court* (CO/3413/2015). Instructed to appear on behalf of Mr Rahman before the Divisional Court in this challenge to the decision of the Election Court stripping him of the right to stand as a candidate in forthcoming elections (as a junior to Paul Bowen QC).
- *Gilles and Saunders v Iain McNicol* (as a representative of all members of the Labour Party except the Claimants): Tim was instructed to advise (together with Richard Gordon QC) and act alone in this high-profile claim concerning the selection of the Labour party candidate for the directly elected mayoralty in the London Borough of Newham. The Defendants agreed to re-run the selection.

Surveillance, Security and Information Law:

- Tim regularly advises Government departments and agencies concerning complex questions of intelligence and information law. He provides regular advice to the National Cyber Security Centre.
- Acted as junior counsel to David Anderson QC's Review of Investigatory Powers, commissioned by Parliament and published in May 2015.
- Instructed (as a junior to Jemima Stratford QC) by the All Party Parliamentary Group on Drones to advise on the lawfulness of the current statutory framework and current government practice concerning the interception and use of communications data.
- Instructed on behalf of the Information Commissioner's Office in *Pol Wong v Information Commissioner* EA/2014/0118 before the First Tier Tribunal.

Public Inquiries:

- Tim is currently instructed to act for one of the Core Participants before the Independent Inquiry into Child Sex Abuse.

Discrimination:

- *IWGB v Transport for London*. Tim is instructed for TfL to defend this claim alleging that a change to the London congestion charge is unlawful on the grounds that it indirectly discriminates on grounds of race.
- *R (Uber London Limited) v Transport for London* [2018] EWCA Civ 1213. Tim was instructed to act for TfL in the High Court and the Court of Appeal, as a junior to Martin Chamberlain QC. The case raised two broad issues: freedom of establishment in EU law and indirect discrimination under the Equality Act and under the Human Rights Act. The Court of Appeal allowed TfL's appeal and reversed the judgment below.
- Instructed (as a junior to Martin Chamberlain QC) to appear in *Paulley v Firstgroup Plc* [2014] EWCA Civ. 543, the leading Court of Appeal authority on the duty to make reasonable adjustments an important case concerning the scope of the duty imposed on service providers to make reasonable adjustments for wheelchair users.
- Advised on a judicial review challenge against the limits imposed by a Primary Care Trust on the provision of fertility treatment (as junior to Martin Chamberlain QC).

Sanctions:

Advised on the potential consequences, for the purposes of the sanctions regime, of a commercial joint venture agreement (as a junior to Maya Lester QC).

Competition

Tim has a thriving EU and competition law practice. He is recognised in Legal 500 2018 as an up and

coming practitioner who is "bright, quick and able to adjust to work in the way that clients require."

Legal 500 (2018) describe Tim as "Very responsive, intelligent and commercially minded, one to watch for the future." In previous years it has noted that he is "a team player who will work all hours to get the job done. He is on a fantastic upward trajectory with his public procurement practice."

Tim is currently instructed in four cases before the European Courts, two of them unled. He regularly advises alone on complex questions of EU law, freedom of establishment, State aid and public procurement.

Tim has experience in various regulated sectors including telecoms, aviation and pharmaceuticals.

EU law

His current notable instructions include:

- *Case T-101/18 Austria v Commission* instructed to act for the United Kingdom Government alone before the General Court in this State aid challenge concerning the construction of a nuclear plant in Hungary.
- Instructed to act alone in a challenge by the UK Government to a decision of the European Commission to claw back EU research funding provided to the Met Office.
- *Case T-101/18 Grange Backup Power v Commission* instructed to act for the UK Government, led by Gerry Facenna QC, in this challenge to the Commission's decision that it did not need to open a formal investigation into the lawfulness of the electricity capacity market in the United Kingdom.
- *Case T-356/15 Austria v Commission* instructed to act on behalf of the UK Government in an action concerning the State aid measures provided in support of the new nuclear reactor at Hinkley Point C (as a junior to Aidan Robertson QC).
- His notable previous instructions include:
 - *Case C-316/15 Hemming v Westminster City Council*. Appeared before the Court of Justice, as junior to Philip Kolvin QC (Cornerstone Chambers) in this reference from the United Kingdom Supreme Court.
 - *Case C-547/14 R (Philip Morris Brands SARL and Philip Morris Limited) v Secretary of State for Health* (Claim No CO/2969/2014). Instructed to appear alone before the Court of Justice of the European Union in this reference from the UK High Court.

Competition

His notable instructions include:

- *Granville Technology Group Limited and others v Infineon Technologies AG and others* [2020] EWHC 415 (Comm). Tim is instructed by Infineon Technologies in this follow on damages claim arising out of the Smart Card Chips cartel. Infineon successfully argued – in a preliminary issue trial heard in early 2020 – that certain elements of the claim were out of time. Granville’s appeal will be heard in the Court of Appeal in early 2021.
- *Veolia Environnement SA and others v Fiat Chrysler Automobiles NV and Others*. Tim is instructed for the Claimants in this substantial follow on damages claim arising out of the Europe-wide trucks cartel.
- *Pfizer Inc and Pfizer Limited v Competition and Markets Authority* [2020] EWCA Civ 339. Tim appeared in the Court of Appeal as junior to Mark Brealey QC and Robert O’Donoghue QC and successfully resisted the CMA’s appeal against the CAT’s conclusion that the CMA had erred in finding that Pfizer had charged an unlawful and excessive price for its product.
- *Ping Europe Ltd v Competition and Markets Authority* [2020] EWCA Civ 13. Tim appeared in this leading case concerning object infringements under EU law as a junior to Robert O’Donoghue QC and David Scannell before the Court of Appeal.
- *BT v Ofcom (Case 1260/3/3/16)*. Tim acted for Gamma Telecom Holdings, intervening in this appeal by BT (and CityFibre) challenging the decision of Ofcom to require companies in the telecommunications sector to make their infrastructure available to third parties on a "dark fibre" basis.
- *BT v Ofcom (Case 1245/3/3/16)*. Tim acted for Gamma Telecom Holdings, an intervener in this appeal against a decision of Ofcom, concerning the proper method of calculating porting charges for numbers that have migrated to new communications providers (as a junior to Sarah Love).

Public procurement

- *Live Nation v The Royal Parks*. Tim is instructed alone to appear for AEG Presents Ltd (a global music entertainment company) in this two week High Court trial concerning the tender exercise to award the Hyde Park Music Festival.
- Instructed to act alone for a losing tenderer to challenge a substantial (multi-million pound) roadworks contract in the United Kingdom.
- *Lancashire v Department for Communities and Local Government (CO/1703/2015)* a significant case concerning the claw back of European Regional Development Funding (as a junior to Fergus Randolph QC).
- *NP Aerospace v Ministry of Defence* [2014] EWHC 2741 (TCC). A substantial procurement challenge concerning alleged 'predatory pricing', abnormally low tenders and manifest errors of assessment.
- *Honeybeerecruitment.com Limited v The Minister for the Cabinet Office*. A leading case arising out of the new Public Contract Regulations 2015.

- *Fujitsu v DVLA* (HC-13-CO553). A very substantial public procurement challenge concerning a purported failure to retender a publicly procured contract.

State aid

- Currently instructed in three separate cases before the European Courts raising State aid issues: *Case T-101/18 Austria v Commission*; *Case T-101/18 Grange Backup Power v Commission*; *Case T-363/19 United Kingdom v Commission*.
- Instructed by a Government Agency to advise on the State aid implications of a General Court decision quashing the Commission's approval of a domestic State aid scheme (as a junior to Richard Gordon QC).
- Instructed to advise a private party seeking to challenge the outcome of an electricity capacity auction on State aid grounds (as a junior to Richard Gordon QC).
- Instructed alone by a Government Agency to advise on the State aid implications of a major new Government initiative to reduce pollution.
- Advised and assisted with investigation into the lease of a Premier League football ground.

Commercial

Tim has a busy commercial litigation and advisory practice.

He is currently instructed to act alone for two different local authorities in substantial commercial disputes with a value of several million pounds.

He has previously advised on a multi-billion pound dispute arising out of a property development (as a junior to Mark Howard QC), appeared in an arbitration concerning a joint venture dispute arbitration in the Middle East (led by Tim Lord QC), as well as acting for a Government department in a substantial contract dispute (unled).

His notable instructions include:

Commercial litigation:

- Instructed to act for a local authority in a £4 million dispute concerning liability for third party losses.
- Instructed to advise a local authority in a complex dispute concerning contractual liabilities, redevelopment, section 106 funding linked to planning permission and the proper construction of conflicting jurisdiction clauses.
- Instructed as a junior to Mark Howard QC in a dispute concerning a multi-billion pound property transaction.
- Instructed as a junior to David Scannell to advise on a complex multi-million pound contract dispute for the UK Government.

- *R (Hemming and others) v Westminster City Council* [2015] UKSC 25. Tim appeared before the Supreme Court in this important case concerning the right to restitutionary remedies.
- Instructed as a junior to Tim Lord QC in a substantial LCIA arbitration arising out of a shareholders' dispute in the Middle East.
- *Song Mao and others v Tate and Lyle Industries and others* (Claim 2013 Folio 451). Instructed as a junior to Richard Lord QC and Samantha Knights in a commercial claim on behalf of 200 Cambodian villagers to recover the value of sugar grown on their property, from which they had been forcibly and unlawfully removed. The Defendants took delivery of that sugar in the UK giving rise to claims in unjust enrichment and conversion.
- *RC Cayman Holdings Ltd v Michael Ryan* (Cause No 98 of 2012), a substantial commercial case before the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands, as a junior to Charles Hollander QC.

Jurisdiction/Conflict of Laws:

- *Triangle Management Services v India Post* (Case no. HQ11XO4625). Appeared alone in the High Court, on behalf of the Indian Government, to successfully challenge jurisdiction.
- Advised alone on jurisdiction in an international cotton arbitration valued at \$3 million

Arbitration

- Instructed to act for a major UK entity in an LCIA arbitration raising a number of issues including rectification and jurisdiction.
- *Vitol S.A. v Bhatia International Ltd* (High Court of Bombay, Notice no. 618 of 2011). Provided an expert opinion, alone, on the prospects of successfully challenging an arbitration award made in England.
- Appeared at a GAFTA arbitration concerning a \$2.5 million contractual claim arising out of a grain futures contract (as junior to Richard Lord QC).

Shipping and commodities

- *Ocean Empress Marine Inc v Bhushan Power and Steel Limited* 2012 Folio No. 1011. Instructed alone in a High Court shipping and insurance claim concerning a general average contribution.
- Instructed to advise alone in a matter concerning a shipment of dangerous goods.
- Instructed to advise alone in a shipping agency case.
- Advised in a major shipping case valued at over £100 million (as a junior to Richard Lord QC).

Insurance and reinsurance

- Advised in a complex insurance matter arising out of the misselling of financial services products (as junior to Tom Adam QC).

- Instructed alone to advise and draft submissions for the Financial Ombudsman Service in a financial services mis-selling case valued at over £100,000.
- Instructed alone to challenge an insurer's refusal to accept liability for a substantial property damage claim.

Qualifications

2011-2012: Pupillage Brick Court Chambers.

2010-2011: Bar Professional Training Course (Outstanding).

2009-2010: Graduate Diploma in Law (Distinction).

2003-2007: DPhil Modern History, Keble College, Oxford.

2002-2003: MSt Historical Research, Keble College, Oxford (Distinction).

1998-2001: BA Hons. Modern History, Keble College, Oxford (Double First).

Scholarships and Prizes:

2010-2011: Denning Prize, Lincoln's Inn.

2009-2010: Lord Bowen Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn.

1999-2006: Undergraduate and Graduate Scholar, Keble College, Oxford.

Select publications

'Notes From a Small Island: Natural Justice and the Institutional Design and Practice of Competition Authorities and Appellate Courts', in *Competition Policy International* (2014) (10.1) (with Robert O'Donoghue).

'The Snowden "Revelations": Is GCHQ breaking the law?', in *European Human Rights Law Review* (2014) (2) (with Jemima Stratford QC).

Two chapters in K. Bacon, *European Union law of State Aid* (2019, OUP).

Contributing author to the forthcoming edition of M. Brealey ed., *Competition Litigation: UK Practice and Procedure*.

Before coming to the Bar, Tim was a fellow in Modern European History at St Peter's College Oxford. He is the author of *Being Soviet: Identity, Rumour and Everyday Life Under Stalin 1939-53* (OUP) (selected by the Financial Times as one of their non-fiction books of the year in 2011).

Directory quotes

"He is enthusiastic, full of ideas and someone who thinks carefully and deeply about topics. He is also an articulate and compelling speaker." "He was a pleasure to work with: able to work to very tight deadlines and to provide helpful advice." "His drafting is exceptional and he turns things around quickly, and he produces powerful, persuasive documents." (Chambers & Partners 2022)

"Tim is very insightful and knowledgeable, and the client was pleased with his robust and thoughtful advice." (Chambers & Partners 2022)

"He has a great reputation in the public law field." (Chambers & Partners 2022)

"An obvious leader in the public law field, Tim is clever and able to juggle a remarkable workload. He is a go to junior in this field." (Legal 500 2022)

"An excellent communicator and advocate. Tim has an engaging and down to earth manner, and a vivid turn of phrase." (Legal 500 2022)

"Tim is an out-of-the-box thinker, dependable and experienced in EU law matters. He presents superbly to both his instructors and our clients – his advice and delivery are always commercial." (Legal 500 2022)

"He is extremely hard-working, his drafting is excellent and his advocacy is really good too." "He gets to grips with cases and complex matters incredibly quickly." (Chambers & Partners 2021)

"He is extremely bright, picks things up very quickly, and produces very nice written work and pleadings." (Chambers & Partners 2021)

"Extremely bright, and also really good at saying exactly the right thing at exactly the right time. Has excellent judgement and is very likeable and easy to get along with." (Chambers & Partners 2021)

"His burgeoning parallel public law practice is a tremendous asset in antitrust cases." (Legal 500 2021)

"Tim has a wealth of experience in EU law as it applies to public procurement and is able to explain difficult concepts in plain English. Tim is also an out-of-the-box thinker and dependable and presents superbly to both his instructors and our clients." (Legal 500 2021)

"An out-of-the-box thinker, dependable and experienced in public procurement disputes. He presents superbly." (Legal 500 2021)

"An inventive and confident litigator, who retains a calm head and very respectful manner throughout difficult circumstances." (Legal 500 2021)

"Sought-after junior with broad expertise across areas including human rights, pensions, licensing and

electoral law. He attracts instructions from a number of central government entities." "He's very easy to work with as he understands the broader context of our work and achieves the balance between real-world considerations and pure questions of law." "We often turn to Tim for matters of high complexity. He has a real firm grip of the law, and he can apply that to unique situations. He's very authoritative, which is good for the courtroom and the client." "He's superb and will become an absolutely stellar lawyer. He has an easy turn of phrase which the courts like." (Chambers & Partners 2020)

"You can just give him a call and speak with him openly about the case; he's always available to just have a chat if something is not entirely clear." "He is practical, sensible and has a really good sense of what the client has in mind. Clients really like him and value his work ethic and great legal mind." (Chambers & Partners UK & Global 2020)

"Produces strong written work, has good advocacy skills and is good with clients." (Chambers & Partners 2020)

"A bright, up-and-coming public lawyer who finds himself in leading cases." (Legal 500 2020)

"An outstanding junior who is able to quickly cut to the key issues in a case." (Legal 500 2020)

"Committed and available, he masters his brief. Good at spotting essential points for pleadings." (Legal 500 2020)

"He is bright, quick and able to adjust to work in the way that clients require." (Chambers & Partners 2019)

"Very responsive, intelligent and commercially minded, one to watch for the future." (Legal 500 2018-19)

"He is very supportive, quick to grasp facts and a barrister who provides good, practical advice." (Chambers & Partners 2018)

"An excellent junior, who brings wider public and commercial experience to the case." (Legal 500 2017)

"He combines intelligence and sensitivity with an incredible work ethic. A proactive lawyer who has an excellent sense of humour." "Tim is a team player who will work all hours to get the job done. He is on a fantastic upward trajectory with his public procurement practice." (Chambers & Partners 2017)

"Very responsive and clear in his views." (Legal 500 2016)