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Practice Overview

Andris centers his practice on commercial litigation. He is a sought-after junior for heavyweight trials in the High Court, arbitrations and appeals. Andris has represented high-net worth individuals, multinational companies and sovereign States in complex and high-value commercial litigation and arbitration, with particular recent experience in civil fraud proceedings.

He has appeared in complex arbitration disputes under various institutional rules, both in London and overseas. He has particular experience in enforcement proceedings before the English courts, where he has recently acted in two such cases before the Court of Appeal.

Commercial

- *Veranova Bidco LP v Johnson Matthew Plc et al* [2026] EWHC 1021 (Comm). Appeared in a 6-week trial in the Commercial Court acting for the Claimant in a claim seeking damages of c.£50m for fraudulent breach of warranties made in an SPA. The trial Judge (Dias J) gave permission to appeal and Andris now acts for the Claimant in their appeal before the Court of Appeal.
- *LCIA Arbitration.* Appeared in a 2-week arbitration acting for a claimant seeking damages of c.$200m for deceit, breach of contract and conspiracy arising out of the Respondent's conduct during a share valuation process.
- *Kei Kin Hung v Hua She Asset Management (Shanghai) Co Ltd* [2023] EWCA Civ 1483. Appeared before the Court of Appeal and High Court in proceedings concerning the enforcement of an arbitral award and proceedings for contempt. The appeal involved a point of law regarding the capacity under the Mental Capacity Act 2005 of a respondent to

freezing orders, asset disclosure orders and contempt proceedings.

- *Border Timbers Limited v Republic of Zimbabwe* [2024] EWCA Civ 1257 | [2025] K.B. 611. Acted for Zimbabwe in proceedings seeking enforcement of a c.$125m arbitral award pursuant to the ICSID Convention, raising important points of law concerning State immunity against the enforcement of arbitral awards under the ICSID Convention. The appeal was heard by the Supreme Court. Andris appeared before the High Court and Court of Appeal but was unavailable before the Supreme Court.
- *Loreley Financing v Credit Suisse* [2023] EWHC 2759 (Comm). Appeared in a 9-week trial in the Commercial Court acting for the investor in a $100m claim arising out of the purchase of a CDO transaction linked to a portfolio of residential mortgage backed securities in 2007. This was one of The Lawyer's Top 20 Cases of 2023.
- *Ntzegkoutanis v Kimionis et al*. Acted for the Claimant in relation to a petition in the Chancery Division alleging unfair prejudice, breach of directors' duties, knowing receipt and dishonest assistance. The matter was listed for a 2-week trial in April 2024. Andris also acted unled in the service-out application.
- *HKIAC Arbitration*. Appeared in a 1-week trial involving allegations of professional negligence against a firm of solicitors in Hong Kong worth c.$50m.
- *Dowers v Axis.* Acting for an offshore trust in proceedings in the Chancery Division alleging agreements pursuant to which assets of a bankrupt belong to the trust are sham, at undervalue and transactions defrauding creditors.
- *COPA v Craig White* . Acted for Mr White in interlocutory proceedings in a case concerning the true identity of the Bitcoin creator known as 'Satoshi Nakamoto'.
- *PJSC National Bank Trust v Shishkhanov et al.* Assisting in proceedings seeking US$2bn in relation to allegations of fraud and conspiracy against 34 defendants in eight jurisdictions.
- *MGG California v Safra* . Assisted in an application to appoint receivers by way of equitable execution in proceedings concerning the enforcement of a $192m New York judgment.
- *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 KC, Richard Blakeley and Jonathan Scott). This was one of The Lawyer's Top 20 Cases of 2019.
- *LCIA Arbitration*. 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 KC and Gerard Rothschild).
- *Stokoe Partnership Solicitors v Grayson & others.* Claims alleging breach of confidence and unlawful conspiracy involving allegations of unlawful hacking of confidential information (as a pupil with Tim Lord KC, Gerard Rothschild and Frederick Wilmot-Smith).
- *Stein Time Management Limited v British Gas Limited* (unled in proceedings for breach of contract in the Chancery Division).

- *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 KC).
- *Mosaique Limited v East Sussex Healthcare NHS Trust* . Unled in a claim and counterclaim alleging, respectively, breach of contract and unjust enrichment, arising out of the development of a cloud-based project management application.
- *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 KC).
- Drafting pleadings and advising in relation to a prospective claim in the sports industry involving allegations of breach of confidence, unlawful means conspiracy and breach of fiduciary duty.
- Advised a construction company in liquidation in relation to claims worth c.£2.5m arising out of a major public infrastructure project.

Arbitration

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EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

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

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

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