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Practice Overview

Crawford has a broad practice which is focused on commercial law. He is currently instructed in several high-profile and complex proceedings, including:

- Acting for the Part 20 Defendant in *Município de Mariana v. BHP*, a group action concerning the collapse of a Brazilian dam where over 730,000 claimants are seeking damages of around £36 billion (led by Simon Salzedo KC and Richard Eschwege KC).
- Acting for a group of defendants in *PIFSS v. Al Rajaan* in relation to alleged secret commission claims in consolidated proceedings seeking over US\$900 million (led by Tom Adam KC).
- Acting for the Class Representative in *Merricks v. Mastercard*, a collective action brought on behalf of 45.5 million consumers seeking aggregate damages of over £16 billion in respect of unlawful interchange fees (led by Marie Demetriou KC and Victoria Wakefield KC).

From 2021-2022, Crawford worked as the judicial assistant to Lord Lloyd-Jones at the Supreme Court. Crawford assisted Lord Lloyd-Jones in several significant cases including *FS Cairo (Nile Plaza) v Brownlie* [2021] UKSC 45 (the application of the default rule regarding foreign law and the scope of the tort gateway for service out of the jurisdiction) and *Maduro Board of the Central Bank of Venezuela v Guaidó Board of the Central Bank of Venezuela* [2021] UKSC 57 (the recognition of foreign heads of state and the application of the act of state doctrine to executive appointments).

Crawford graduated top of his year in both his undergraduate degree (BA in Theology at the

University of Oxford) and his LLM degree (at the University of Pennsylvania, where he was a Thouron Fellow). He has received numerous academic awards and prizes.

Commercial

- *PIFSS v. Al Rajaan* – defending claim regarding alleged secret commissions worth hundreds of millions of dollars (with Tom Adam KC and Douglas Paine).
- *Município de Mariana v. BHP* – acting for the Part 20 Defendant in a group action concerning the collapse of a Brazilian dam where over 730,000 claimants are seeking damages of around £36 billion (with Simon Salzedo KC, Richard Eschwege KC, Michael Bolding, and Charles Wall).
- *Acerus Pharmaceuticals v Recipharm* [2021] EWHC 1878 (Comm) – the trial of a preliminary issue regarding the interpretation of an exclusion clause (as a pupil with Sarah Abram KC).
- *Allianz Global Investors GmbH and ors v Barclays Bank plc and ors* [2021] EWHC 399 (Comm) – application to strike out pass-on and tax reduction defences (as a pupil with Sarah Abram KC and Tom Wood).
- Defending claim regarding the allegedly fraudulent sale of over 1,000 structured derivative products (as a pupil with Tony Singla KC).
- Application for summary judgment in respect of various allegations arising from a residential mortgage-backed securitisation (as a pupil with Tony Singla KC).
- Defending a claim regarding the alleged breach of a director's employment contract providing for compulsory buyback of the director's shares (as a pupil with Tony Singla KC).

International/EU

- Application to the General Court under Article 263(4) of the TFEU to annul a decision of the European Medical Agency (with David Scannell KC).
- *Arcadia Petroleum Ltd v Bosworth & Ors* [2021] EWCA Civ 687 – jurisdiction challenge concerning whether claims are related to individual contracts of employment within the meaning of Art 18(1) of the Lugano Convention (as a pupil with Richard Eschwege KC).
- *The Public Institution for Social Security v Al Rajaan and others* [2020] EWHC 2979 (Comm) – jurisdiction challenge under Article 23 Lugano Convention in claim to recover alleged secret commissions worth hundreds of millions (as a pupil with Tony Singla KC).

Arbitration

- Arbitration concerning a loan of Ethereum worth several million dollars made for investment in the Grayscale Ethereum Trust (with Tony Singla KC).
- LCIA arbitration concerning a multi-million repo transaction under a Global Master

Repurchase Agreement 2000 (as a pupil with Richard Eschwege KC).

Competition

- *Merricks v. Mastercard* – representing the Class Representative in a collective action brought on behalf of 45.5 million consumers seeking aggregate damages of over £16 billion in respect of unlawful interchange fees (with Marie Demetriou KC, Victoria Wakefield KC, and Paul Luckhurst).
- *Sisvel v Archos & ors* [2021] EWHC 1541 (Pat) – whether a pool licence may be FRAND (as a pupil with Sarah Abram KC)
- *Rail Fares CPO application (Justin Gutmann v Stagecoach & ors)* – application for a collective proceedings order in the first standalone collective proceedings and the first to concern an alleged abuse of dominance (as a pupil with Sarah Abram KC)
- *Litigation concerning the Trucks cartel* (as a pupil with Sarah Abram KC, acting for Volvo and Renault Trucks)

EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

Education & professional experience:

- 2021 – 2022: Judicial assistant to Lord Lloyd-Jones at the UK Supreme Court
- 2020 – 2021: Pupillage at Brick Court Chambers
- 2019 – 2020: Thouron Fellow, LLM at the University of Pennsylvania (distinction, top of year)
- 2017 – 2019: Trainee solicitor at Allen & Overy LLP
- 2016 – 2017: LPC at BPP University (distinction)
- 2015 – 2016: GDL at BPP University (distinction)
- 2012 – 2015: BA in Theology at Trinity College, Oxford (first, top of year)

Awards:

- University of Pennsylvania – Karin Iest Award for excellence, given to best-performing student out of a class of 126
- University of Pennsylvania – Thouron Award Fellow, providing tuition fees and a living stipend
- Winner, European Investment Law and Arbitration Review's 2020 essay competition.
- Winner, Competition Law Association's Golding Essay Prize 2018
- Highly Commended, Law Society's Junior Lawyers' Division Essay Prize 2017
- University of Oxford – Gibbs Prize, for the best undergraduate performance in Theology
- Trinity College – R. A. Knox Senior Memorial Prize, for academic performance in final exams

PUBLICATIONS

'Assessing the CJEU's decisions in Achmea and Opinion 1/17 in light of the proposed Multilateral Investment Court', (2020) 5 *The European Investment Law and Arbitration Review* 1, 213-239

'In Defence of a UK Doctrine of Equivalents', (2019) 41 *The European Intellectual Property Review* 3, 147-154

Crawford has also published a number of case comments and blog posts on legal matters.