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OVERVIEW

After completing pupillage at Maitland, Edward has developed a broad commercial practice, in particular in arbitration, fraud, energy (including energy related international construction disputes), property, and professional negligence matters.

Prior to coming to the bar, Edward trained as a Persian linguist and worked as an intelligence analyst/linguist at

GCHQ.

EXPERTISE

COMMERCIAL LITIGATION & ARBITRATION

- Counsel (instructed by McCarthy Denning) for the owner of a 5-star Middle Eastern hotel in a high-value DIAC arbitration relating to the termination of a hotel management agreement [current].
- Junior Counsel instructed by Travers Thorpe Alberga on behalf of client seeking the winding up of a Cayman parent of a SE Asian PE equity business on just and equitable grounds [current].
- Counsel (instructed by Morgan Lewis & Bockius) for Respondent to a USD 130m ICC claim concerning usufruct rights to shares in an air cargo business [current].
- Junior counsel (led by Richard Morgan KC and instructed by Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP) in Eronat v CPNC International (Chad) Ltd [2025] EWCA Civ 1054, successfully obtained reverse summary judgment on a s 69 appeal of a USD 324 million award on the ground appeal brought out of time [2025].
- Junior counsel (led by Richard Morgan KC and instructed by Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP) in claim under

indemnity in respect of African oil and gas development [current]

- Junior counsel (led by Richard Morgan KC and instructed by Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP) for Respondents in a DIFC-LCIA arbitration successfully defending a claim for over USD 100 million in a dispute relating to the termination of a joint venture in the defence sector [2025].
- Counsel (instructed by Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP) for a defendant to a claim over shares in an Italian company [2025].
  Counsel (instructed by Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP) for Respondents to a USD 1.5 million LCIA arbitration claim in respect of personal guarantee [2020].

- Advising client (instructed by McCarthy Denning) in respect of a potential shareholders' dispute over Cayman based investment management fund [2024].

- Sole counsel for the second defendant (instructed by Wallace) successfully defending a claim concerning the disputed ownership of a central London property development portfolio [2024].Acted for a claimant (instructed by Forsters) in a multi-million pound claim for damages arising out of a delayed central London property development joint venture [2022].

- Advised a client (instructed by McCarthy Denning) seeking damages for the deficient provision of website and other IT services [2022].
  Junior Counsel (led by Anthony White KC instructed by Stone King) for the defendant to a multi-million pound claim for breach of confidence in connection with a proposal to develop a new school in Surrey [2019].
- Advising (instructed by Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP) a multinational energy company in relation to the delayed construction of a photo-voltaic energy project in Central Asia affected (inter alia) by the conflict in Ukraine and the termination of the EPC Contractor [2024].
- Advised (instructed by Addleshaw Goddard) a project company in relation to the impact of COVID-19 and other issues affecting the construction of a large Middle Eastern wind farm project [2020].
- Counsel (instructed by Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP) for an operator and majority participant involved in a USD 50 million dispute under a JOA in relation to an oilfield development project in Central Asia determined under an ICC arbitration [2019].
  Counsel (instructed by Adams & Remers LLP) for defendants to a claim between property developers over the ownership of a Spanish company, involving allegations of economic duress, and jurisdictional issues under the Recast Brussels Regulation [2020]. ***Marriot v Fresson & ors [2020] EWHC 2515 (Comm)***

CIVIL FRAUD

• Junior counsel (led by Christopher Parker KC and instructed by Gateley plc) for claimant liquidators in a multi-million pound claim for dishonest breaches of trust brought against the director and trust administration services provider of two property holding companies in connection with alleged tax evasion [2024].
• Junior counsel (led by **Christopher Parker KC** and instructed by Gateley plc) for the claimant in ***European Real Estate Debt Fund (Cayman) Limited v Treon*** [2021] EWHC 2866 (Ch), a high value fraud and unlawful mean conspiracy claim in respect of an investment in a convertible loan note issue by a company operating a group of care homes [2021].

OFFSHORE & TRUSTS

- Junior Counsel instructed by Travers Thorpe Alberga on behalf of client seeking the winding up of a Cayman parent of a SE Asian PE equity business on just and equitable grounds [current].
- Assisted David Mumford KC and Andrew Westwood KC and instructed by Travers Thorpe Alberga on behalf of defendant BVI companies challenging the appointment of receivers over shares in the companies, who were appointed in connection with a HK$2 billion loan in respect of a Hong Kong property development [2023].
- Advising client (instructed by McCarthy Denning) in respect of a potential shareholders' dispute over Cayman based investment management fund [2024].

BANKING & FINANCIAL SERVICES

- Junior Counsel for African Bank (instructed by Dentons UKMEA LLP) defending a US$23m claim for breach of contract [2025]
- Assisting David Mumford KC and Andrew Westwood KC and instructed by Travers Thorpe Alberga on behalf for defendant BVI companies challenging the appointment of receivers over shares in the companies, who were appointed in connection with a HK$2 billion loan in respect of a Hong Kong property development [2023].
- Junior counsel (led by Andrew Ayres KC and instructed by Norton Rose Fulbright) for claimant in ***Fenchurch Advisory Partners v AA*** [2023] EWHC 108 (Comm) a claim for fees due in respect of corporate financial services provided in the context of a proposed disposal of the AA's insurance business.

Successfully established a claim in unjust enrichment [2023].

- Junior counsel (led by Joe Smouha KC, Laura John & Emily Wood and instructed by Dentons UKMEA LLP) for the defendant bank in ***Hockin v RBS***, a multi-million pound claim, in which the claimants alleged mis-selling of an interest rate derivative product, manipulation of LIBOR, unlawful means conspiracy and breach of an implied duty of good faith [2017].

REAL ESTATE

- Counsel for the Port of London Authority successfully claiming possession of the River Thames against the owner of a houseboat [2022]
- Counsel for the defendant in The David Roberts Art Foundation Limited v Riedweg, a multi-million pound claim for damages in respect of a contract for the sale of a large property in Camden involving issues of charity law, in particular charity trustees' obligations when disposing of charity land, and issues of company law. Successfully resisted an application for summary judgment [2019] EWHC 1358 (Ch)

PROFESSIONAL NEGLIGENCE

- Acting for potential claimant (instructed by Stone & King) in respect of negligent tax advice given in a business sale.
- Acting for claimant (instructed by Forsters) in a claim for damages flowing from a negligent valuation of substantial London property [2024].
- Advised a potential claimant in respect of negligent advice provided by a conveyancer regarding ground rent and other provisions in a new lease for London property [2022].

COMPANY & PARTNERSHIP

Many of Edward's cases involve aspects of company or partnership law.

Successfully applied for an administration order in respect of an informal partnership at will [2025].

Counsel for numerous directors/partners advising in respect of disputes and issues between business owners.

MEMBERSHIPS

- COMBAR
- Chancery Bar Association
- ConTrA

QUALIFICATIONS

- BPTC, The City Law School, City University, London: Outstanding
- GDL, The City Law School, City University, London: Distinction
- BA (Classics),Trinity College, Oxford: First Class

LANGUAGES

- French
- Persian (farsi)

AWARDS

The City Law School Lord Scarman Scholarship (2014)

Lincoln's Inn Lord Denning Scholarship (2013)

Lincoln's Inn Lord Haldane Scholarship (2012)

Trinity College Oxford Sutro Prize (2008)

DIRECTORY QUOTES

"Very clever, very hard-working, very organized."

Legal 500 Commercial Litigation (2027)

"He sees the point immediately but always looks to its effect on the overall strategy".

Legal 500: Commercial Litigation (2026)

NOTABLE CASES