

Simon Lewis

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Appointments

- Junior Counsel to the Crown (2015)
- Statutory Case Examiner at the General Optical Council (2016)
- England Boxing Disciplinary Panel Member (2017)

Memberships

- Northern Circuit Commercial Bar Association (NCCBA)
- North East Circuit Commercial Bar Association (NECBBA)
- Employment Lawyers Association (ELA)
- Employment Law Bar Association (ELBA)
- Association of Regulatory and Disciplinary Lawyers.

Overview

Simon practises mainly in employment and commercial law. Simon was appointed Junior Counsel to the Crown in 2015 on the Attorney General's regional panel for a period of five years. He frequently acts for both respondents and claimants in complex, multi-day employment tribunals and has an outstanding employment practice for a barrister of his call. His commercial practice covers contractual disputes, directors' duties, unfair prejudice petitions, insolvency matters and possession.

In addition to his legal credentials, Simon brings substantial experience from his earlier career. He is both analytical and pragmatic with a sound commercial understanding of the issues facing each instruction. After graduating with a first class degree from Cambridge, Simon spent a year in one of the Prime Minister's units before working at a leading management consultancy. He went on to be UK head of communications within a global professional services firm.

In January 2016, Simon was appointed as an independent Case Examiner within the Fitness to Practise Directorate of the General Optical Council.

Education

- BPP Law School, Leeds
Bar Course: Outstanding (ranked 1st in year group)
Law Conversion Course: Distinction (ranked 1st in year group)
- Cambridge University, Jesus College
BA Social and Political Sciences: 1st Class MA (Cantab)
- Ermysted's Grammar School, Skipton S levels, A levels, GCSEs: Grade A
- Law Scholarships
Lincoln's Inn: Eastham, Buchanan, Cassel, Lord Haldane, Hardwicke BPP Law School: Cohen

Beyond the Bar

Simon is a Cambridge Blue, played first class cricket for a couple of seasons as an opening batsman, including a tour of Pakistan, and captained several of the Yorkshire youth cricket teams. He played representative football, among other sports, and maintains an (armchair) interest in the sporting world generally.

He grew up in Ilkley and in North Wales, and now lives in Yorkshire with his family.