# Andrew Vinson

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## Appointments

Recorder (Northern Circuit 2023)

Junior Counsel to the Crown (Regional Panel A)

Member of the Legal Services Panel of the Government of the Virgin Islands

Lead Ethics Trainer for the Northern Circuit

Member of the Liverpool Business and Property Court Forum Committee

## Memberships

Chancery Bar Association

## Commercial Fraud

Andrew is an experienced chancery and commercial practitioner who has dealt with litigation arising from allegations of commercial wrongdoing and fraud on many occasions. These include matters such as misfeasance, breach of trust and fiduciary duty on the part of trustees, directors (de jure and shadow) and others, accessory liability such as dishonest assistance and knowing receipt, fraudulent trading, wrongful accounting, conspiracy and unjust enrichment claims.

He has often sought Norwich Pharmacal orders and pre-action disclosure in order to assess wrongdoing and locate its proceeds, as well as freezing and proprietary injunctions to restrain dissipation of assets. He has dealt with numerous tracing claims.

On behalf of the government, he has sought to wind up companies in the public interest on the basis of allegations of fraud and other such matters, and to disqualify directors accused of similar. He also acts for companies and directors facing such claims.

He has experience of contempt proceedings.

Northern Business and Property Bar Association

Property Bar Association

Insolvency Lawyers Association

## Education

- BA (Hons) Modern History, The Queen's College, Oxford (Class I, 1998)
- Common Professional Examination, The College of Law (Distinction, 1999)
- Bar Vocational Course, The Inns of Court School of Law (Very Competent, 2000)
- Harmsworth Exhibition, Middle Temple (1999)

## Commercial Fraud Cases

**A v B and others** – Acting for the Claimant in a claim in which the sale proceeds of shares were the subject of a successfully settled tracing claim including allegations of fraud, breach of trust, constructive trusts and knowing receipt.

**C v D** – A successful claim initiated by freezing injunction for the recovery of substantial sums said to be held on constructive trust or to have caused unjust enrichment.

**E v F** – Pursuing contempt proceedings against a high profile director alleged to have failed to co-operate with an investigation into two companies.

**G v H** – A claim in relation to the sale proceeds of assets alleged to have been held on trust in breach duty and as part of a conspiracy.

## Recommendations

"Andrew has impressive technical ability and is a great advocate, and he combines this with commercial awareness and client care skills."

"Andrew Vinson's ability to analyse the most complex detail in an efficient way while delivering commercial services is second to none."

"Andrew Vinson frequently represents corporations, private individuals and organisations in chancery and commercial matters. He deals with professional negligence, property disputes and insolvency law cases."
**Chambers and Partners 2026**

"Andrew is a confident and assured advocate who clearly has the ear of judges."
**The Legal 500, 2026**

"Andrew is very strong technically and an excellent advocate. Clients like him, he explains things clearly and precisely, and he is commercial in his approach."

"His written work is clear and gets to the heart of it."

"His understanding of getting into the detail as required, and to then present the advice to the clients, was really good."

"Andrew is a really good barrister who works on interesting cases."
**Chambers and Partners 2025**

"Andrew is strong in both written and oral submissions. He has the enviable ability to distil complex points of law into digestible and client friendly advice."
**The Legal 500, 2025**

"Andrew is excellent in all his work – with clients and solicitors and in advocacy settings. In mediation, he is calm and rational, but has fire for his clients and is no pushover. He is always happy to explain and assist as required."
**Chambers and Partners 2024**

"Andrew is extremely knowledgeable and always prepared to help or assist with an ad hoc query or more meaningful instructions. He is passionate for his clients and while he remains calm, he is also forceful in his points."
**The Legal 500, 2024**

"Andrew gives sound and practical advice."

"Andrew's academic brilliance makes him stand out. He adopts a practical and commercial approach to delivering advice and communicating with clients."
**Chambers and Partners 2023**

'Andrew always offers sensible, pragmatic advice to achieve the best results for the client. He is commercially minded and conscious of the costs consequences of the available courses of action. Although he always advises upon the pros and cons of seeking a settlement, he is not afraid to advise clients to proceed to trial when this is in their best interests.'
**The Legal 500, 2023**

"He is extremely intelligent and extremely knowledgeable, and is able to channel his knowledge into being a really effective barrister. He makes effective submissions to judges and doesn't lose sight of the structure of his arguments." "He delivers his advice with conviction and confidence. When he tells you something it becomes believable and persuasive, which clients like, and it adds value."

"He is very commercially minded and a fount of knowledge in chancery matters."
**Chambers and Partners 2022**

"Robust and to the point. He has a good grasp of difficult concepts."

"Well-prepared, calm and effective advocate who gets his point across succinctly."
**The Legal 500, 2022**

*Andrew has been consistently recommended for chancery and commercial litigation in the legal directories every year since 2007.*

"His legal knowledge and analysis are superb." "He is a very good black letter lawyer, who presents his cases very well on paper and has real clarity of thought." "He gives very practical advice."

"He is very thorough, with a good handle on difficult situations." "He really knows his stuff and is very pragmatic."
**Chambers and Partners 2021**

"Andrew is both thorough and knowledgeable. He is approachable and very hard working. I have no hesitation in recommending and referring my clients to him safe in the knowledge that they will be very well represented both with his written advice and as an advocate at court."

"Attention to detail, ability to breakdown complex issues and discuss with the client in a meaningful way, honest and clear advice."
**The Legal 500, 2021**

"He gives very good, practical advice with sound legal reasoning."

"He is pragmatic, clear and his advocacy is very persuasive. He won't shy away from difficult arguments."

"He is detailed, effective and strategic."
**Chambers and Partners 2020**

"Personable, thorough and intelligent."
**The Legal 500, 2020**

"He does a fantastic job and really cares for his clients."

"He is very intelligent, as well as being straight-talking, pragmatic and diplomatic. He is sympathetic, honest and does not mess around."

"A good commercial man who's very good at giving advice to corporate clients."
**Chambers and Partners 2019**

"He reads the court well."
**The Legal 500, 2018/19**

"He is one of the true intellectuals at the Bar, and really is a smart chap."

"Andrew is frighteningly efficient, extremely clever and reads a case very well."

"He is considered and measured."
**Chambers and Partners 2018**

## Beyond the Bar

Andrew is widely travelled and enjoys skiing, walking and photography.