



George Mallet

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George is a commercial barrister with a particular emphasis on product liability, banking matters and group claims. He is recognised as a leading junior in the fields of Product Liability, Consumer Finance and Property Litigation. George is regularly instructed by major banks and FTSE 100 companies (including Barclays, Sainsbury's, Lloyds, M&S and HSBC). He has also represented major governmental departments including the MOD, Home Office and Department of Health. He appears in the High Court and County Courts (as sole advocate or as part of a team) and has represented clients at all levels, including in the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court. Directories note that George's written work and drafting is "exemplary", that he is an "excellent advocate" and that he "has achieved some remarkable results." George graduated with a first-class degree from Bristol University and a distinction in the GDL at City University. He is a Gray's Inn Scholar. Before practising at the Bar George worked in investment banking.

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Product Liability & Group Actions

George has been recognised by Legal 500 as a leading product liability junior. He is regularly instructed in complex product liability claims and group actions. George has experience of advising and drafting pleadings in a wide number of product liability claims. He recently successfully represented the Department of Health in a claim regarding defective COVID-19 PCT testing equipment ([2024] EWHC 1071 (TCC)) and Sainsbury's Supermarkets Limited in a claim raising allegations of manufacturing and/or design defects in refrigeration equipment ([2020] EWHC 3404 (TCC)). He has also assisted in actions concerning oil spills, defective medical devices, vaccinations, vehicles and other defective products.

George has assisted with a number of notable claims brought against public sector bodies, including litigation regarding the Pandemrix vaccination (Department of Health), the Bank Mellat litigation, claims brought with

respect to the Chagos Islands (both for the FCO) and various matters brought against the Ministry of Defence, including the noise induced hearing loss ('NIHL') claims, the Q fever litigation and various post-traumatic stress disorder matters.

George is a contributing author to the upcoming 2nd edition of Prof. Christopher Hodges' *Multi-Party Actions* book.

Banking, Finance & Consumer Credit

George has been recognised by Chambers UK as a leading junior in the field of consumer finance. He has an extensive consumer finance practice. He has appeared in the County Courts on a number of consumer credit matters (including unfair relationships claims, secret commissions allegations and mortgage disputes) and has represented a large number of major banks (including HSBC, Lloyds, Barclays, HBOS and GE Money) and other financial institutions (Sainsbury's Bank, Leeds BS, Mercedes-Benz FS, VWFS and NewDay). George is the lead author of the Consumer Credit volume of *The Encyclopaedia of Forms and Precedents* and has contributed to the next edition of *Goode: Consumer Credit Law and Practice*. He currently edits Practical Law's note on Unfair Relationships.

Prior to pupillage George worked for a firm of solicitors' Financial Services Litigation team and a major UK bank on an on-going investigation into the manipulation of LIBOR and other benchmark interest rates. George also previously worked as an investment banking analyst. He brings a high level of commercial expertise and business acumen to his work in this field.

Commercial & Business Law

George specialises in a broad range of commercial matters. He is currently representing a number of FTSE 100 companies in major commercial disputes. His expertise draws on his experience in defective product claims and is informed by his prior career in investment banking.

Particular areas of expertise include

- Contractual disputes (including breach of contract, contractual interpretation, misrepresentation and frustration)
- Debt recovery
- Sale of company disputes
- Partnership and unincorporated association disputes
- Sale of goods and supply chain issues
- Energy and utilities
- Insurance matters
- Insolvency

George is a member of the commercial bar association (COMBAR).

Personal Injury & Public Law

George has had experience of a broad range of personal injury matters including claims for physical injury, psychiatric harm, occupiers' liability and RTAs. George has been instructed by the Government Legal Department to act for a number of public sector clients, including the Ministry of Defence, Foreign & Commonwealth Office and Department of Health. He has recently been instructed in claims concerning sexual assaults (confidential) and physical attacks in prison. He represented the Home Office in a claim for damages under the Human Rights Act for false imprisonment arising from quashed anti-terrorism legislation.

George has assisted with a number of notable claims brought against public sector bodies, including the on-going litigation regarding the administration of the Pandemrix vaccination (Department of Health), the *Bank Mellat* litigation, claims brought with respect to the *Chagos Islands* (both for the FCO) and various matters brought against the Ministry of Defence, including the noise induced hearing loss ('NIHL') claims, the Q fever litigation and various post-traumatic stress disorder matters.

Property

George is recognised by Legal 500 as a leading junior in the field of property litigation. He has appeared in both the Supreme Court and Court of Appeal in a pre-eminent matter of *Duval v 11-13 Randolph Crescent* ([2020] UKSC 18 and [2018] EWCA Civ 2298).

His practice encompasses a broad range of real property and landlord and tenant-related advice, litigation and ADR.

He is regularly instructed in property disputes concerning co-ownership, easements, covenants, boundaries, adverse possession and mortgages.

He is also instructed in relation to residential and commercial landlord and tenant matters, including forfeiture, possession, service charges, dilapidations, enfranchisement, business leases and agricultural tenancies.

George has recently successfully appeared in both the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court. He regularly represents parties in the tribunals, County Court and High Court.

During his time in banking George worked in both the real estate and securitisation teams. He therefore has a practical understanding of the property market.

George is a member of the Property Bar Association and writes extensively on real property related topics.

Representative Cases

- *Dr Duval v 11-13 Randolph Crescent Ltd.* [2020] UKSC 18

George successfully represented the tenant in the County Court, Court of Appeal and Supreme Court (led by Richard Mawrey QC). The case is now a pre-eminent authority on the construction of leasehold covenants, implied terms generally and the management of blocks of flats.

- *Dr Duval v 11-13 Randolph Crescent Ltd*. [2018] EWCA Civ 2298; [2019] Ch. 357; [2019] 2 W.L.R. 761.
- *Ms Elu v Floorweald Ltd* [2020] EWHC 1222 (QB)
George successfully applied to strike out an appeal that alleged that the trial judgment had been procured by fraud.
- *Ms Elu v Floorweald Ltd (County Court, Unrep., 2019)*.
George successfully represented a tenant in a disrepair claim heard over several days by HHJ Coltart QC sitting in the Lewes CC
- *Confidential (2019)*
George advised a represented the Claimants in a constructive trust and proprietary estoppel claim concerning a series of residential houses in London. The claim was settled at mediation.
- *Confidential (2019)*
George successfully represented the Claimant in High Court proceedings concerning the ownership of a portfolio of residential properties. The claim was settled before trial
- *Krell v Goldswain and Ors (Unrep.)*
George acted for a Defendant on an ongoing dispute arising from the collapse of a residential home in London. The case has involved proceedings in the High Court and Tribunals.
- *Confidential (2019)*
George acted in two separate sets of proceedings concerning adverse possession of farmland. Both sets of proceedings were settled before trial.
- *L.A.G Estates Limited v Khasru (LON/00AC/LSC/2018/0182 and LON/00AC/LBC/2018/0035)*
George successfully acted for a landlord in an application for the determination of breaches of certain leasehold covenants.
- *Multibright Limited v Pental*
George successfully acted for the claimant in an action for specific performance of an auction contract concerning the sale of land. The claim was heard over a hearing at the Central London County Court
- *Ismet v Black & Gold Lounge Limited (2019)*.
George is currently acting for landlords in an ongoing dispute concerning the forfeiture of a London nightclub

What the directories say

"He is a problem-solver, who is ever mindful of the commercial considerations of the case and the client's concerns."

Chambers UK 2025

"A highly impressive counsel with a thorough knowledge of his area."
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"George Mallet is really robust and gets his clients to the positions that they want to be in."
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"George applies the law in a very pragmatic and useful way, which clients find legible and concise."
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"George's written work and drafting is exemplary. He can process huge amounts of documentary information and distil it to a simple form, drawing various strands, issues and points together with ease."
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"Very approachable and reliable offering sound advice expeditiously."
Legal 500 2021

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Legal 500 2020

Appointments

- Attorney General's Panel of Junior Counsel to the Crown, B Panel (2024, from 01/09/2024)
- Attorney General's Panel of Junior Counsel to the Crown, C Panel (2020-2024)

Publications

- Encyclopaedia of Forms and Precedents, Consumer Credit, Vol. 12(1) A
- Goode, Consumer Credit: Law and Practice. (Contributor)
- "Consumer redress schemes: the case of CFO Lending Limited" (2016) 11 JIBFL 673B
- Lexis PSL's Consumer Law (occasional contributor)
- "Proprietary Estoppel" (The Law Society, 2016)

Memberships

- Gray's Inn
- COMBAR
- Property Bar Association

Education

- BA History, First Class, University of Bristol
- GDL, City University, Distinction (Scholarship, Gray's Inn)
- BPTC, BPP Law School, Very Competent (Scholarship, Gray's Inn)

Awards & Recognitions

