

Landmark Chambers

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Peter is building a practice with a particular focus on property law and interrelated areas including rating law and insolvency law. Peter joined Landmark as a tenant on 1 October 2021; after the completion of his 12-month pupillage.



Expertise

Planning, Property, Rating and Valuation

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Practice Summary

Peter regularly appears in, and advises in respect of, property related matters in County Courts, the First-tier Tribunal (Property Chamber) and the Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber).

Peter is a member of the Attorney-General's baby junior scheme.

Prior to joining Chambers, in 2019 and 2020, Peter worked as a paralegal in the real estate litigation department of Mishcon de Reya LLP where he worked on a variety of property litigation matters. Before that, he worked as a paralegal at a boutique sports law firm, Morgan Sports Law. In 2017 and 2018, Peter was a judicial assistant in the Court of Appeal to Lord Justice Patten where he assisted on cases covering property, tax and EU law.

Peter holds two first class law degrees from the University of Cambridge.

In his spare time, he enjoys cycling and walking.

Planning

While a pupil, he gained experience of and assisted with a wide range of planning matters, including:

- Advising on a variety of planning law issues including the eligibility requirements to submit a blight notice and liability to community infrastructure levy.
- Preparing a witness statement to be used in a judicial review of a decision of the Building Safety Fund.
- Attending planning inquiries, including in relation to large housing developments in Hounslow and in Sheffield.

Property

Peter was the designated Property pupil, having developed his property law experience as a judicial assistant in the Court of Appeal to Lord Justice Patten and as a paralegal in the real estate litigation department of Mishcon de Reya LLP.

As a tenant, Peter:

- Regularly appears in, and advises in respect of, county court possession hearings acting for both claimants and defendants in both residential and commercial contexts.
- Regularly appears in case managements hearings in a variety of property related matters
- Regularly advises in respect of, and appears in, service charge disputes
- Has appeared before the First-tier Tribunal (Property Chamber) in relation to a Rent Repayment Order
- Has appeared before the Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber) in proceedings concerning The Electronic Communications Code
- Regularly advises on a range of property related matters including easements, restrictive covenants, CVAs, common intention constructive trusts, adverse possession and conveyancing.
- Regularly drafts pleadings including in relation to possession, disrepair, dilapidations and debt recovery claims.

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As a pupil he gained experience of a wide range of property law issues including:

- Drafting pleadings in disrepair claims and possession claims
- Advising on a variety of property law issues, including the consequences of a failure to protect a tenancy deposit, an application to the land registry to alter the register, easements and the enforceability of restrictive covenants.
- Attending possession hearings relating to residential and commercial properties and a county court trial on relief from forfeiture.

As a paralegal in the real estate litigation department of Mishcon de Reya LLP, he worked on:

- Drafting various property notices, including break notices, notices under s.25 and s.26 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 and notices under s.146 of the Law of Property Act 1925.
- Document review and bundle preparation for a large misrepresentation claim relating to a multi-million-pound development.

As a judicial assistant in the Court of Appeal he worked on:

- ***Knight v Goulandris*** [2018] EWCA Civ 237, a decision on whether an award under the Party Wall etc Act 1996 could be validly served by email
- ***P&P Property Ltd v Owen White & Catlin LLP*** [2018] EWCA Civ 1082, a decision on the liability to an innocent purchaser of solicitors acting for the vendor and solicitors acting for the purchaser in a conveyancing fraud.
- ***Smith v Khan*** [2018] EWCA Civ 1137, a decision on the appropriate measure of damages following an unlawful eviction under an assured shorthold tenancy.

Insolvency

As a tenant, Peter:

- Has advised in respect of CVAs.
- Has attended bankruptcy petition hearings.

Rating and Valuation

As a tenant, Peter has advised in respect of initial hearings before the Magistrates' Court concerning unpaid business rates.

Qualifications

- Nottingham Law School – BPTC – Very Competent
- University of Cambridge, Hughes Hall – LLM – First (joint highest mark in college)
- University of Cambridge, Jesus College – BA Law – Double First

Publications

The myth of the infringing profits “starting point” in assessing equitable damages on the basis of the hypothetical bargain in rights to light cases (Conv. 2020, 2, 151-162)