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Practice Overview

Jamie has a busy practice which spans Chambers' core areas of expertise, with a particular focus on commercial and trust disputes with an international element. He is regularly instructed in matters involving general commercial and contractual disputes, trusts, wills and probate, inheritance act claims, company disputes, insolvency, and cross-border disputes. He frequently appears both led and unled in the English High Court and County Court. He has also been instructed to assist on disputes before courts in offshore jurisdictions, including Guernsey, Bermuda, the Bahamas, the BVI and the DIFC.

Jamie has undertaken two secondments, spending six months with the dispute resolution team at Kingsley Napley LLP and three months with the contentious trusts and estates team at Farrer & Co. These have provided Jamie with invaluable experience of the requirements of solicitors and their clients and enabled him to advise in a highly commercial and pragmatic way.

Prior to coming to the Bar, Jamie gained a first class degree in Classics from Brasenose College, Oxford and spent three years working for the strategy consultancy firm, Oliver Wyman, where he predominantly focused on the financial services sector. During his time at Oliver Wyman, Jamie also completed the Chartered Financial Analyst exams. This experience is particularly useful in cases which involve expert evidence in the fields of forensic accounting and investment management.

Areas of Expertise

Commercial Litigation

Jamie is often instructed in commercial cases, both on his own and as a part of larger teams. Recent cases include:

Reliance v ASRR (ICC Case no. 24744/AYZ): Jamie acted as counsel for the Defendant in ICC arbitration proceedings relating to consultancy agreements in the oil and gas sector. The claim was for over \$6 million dollars and Jamie appeared as sole counsel in the three day final hearing. Instructed by Al Ruwayeh & Partners.

Berkeley Square Holdings v Lancer Property Asset Management Limited [2021] EWHC 849 (Ch): Jamie acted for the Claimant in claims for dishonest assistance, conspiracy and breach of fiduciary duty. Led by Philip Marshall QC, instructed by Eversheds Sutherland. See e.g. [2021] EWHC 750 (Ch); [2021] EWHC 818 (Ch); [2021] EWHC 849 (Ch)

Trafalgar v Hadley & Ors: Jamie acts for the Claimant in a substantial fraud claim against multiple defendants. Jamie appeared as sole counsel in successful applications for default judgment against two of the defendants and obtained an order vesting a property in the Claimant. Led by Justin Higgs QC, instructed by Kingsley Napley.

Cobussen Principal Investment Holdings v Akbar: Jamie assisted James Weale for the Claimant on a heavily contested application for specific disclosure and application for a charging order over property held under an offshore trust. Instructed by DWF Beckman.

GIB v Aldwood: Jamie acted for the Defendant in a claim for £28m, which included applications to challenge jurisdiction and to discharge a Worldwide Freezing Order. Led by Lexa Hilliard QC, instructed by Kingsley Napley. See e.g. [2019] EWHC 1666 (QB)

Civil Fraud

Jamie's cases often include an element of fraud. Recent cases include:

Ivanishvili v Credit Suisse Trust Limited: Jamie acts for the Claimants in a claim for over \$1bn against a Singapore-based trustee. The claim relates to the losses caused by the fraudulent conduct of an employee of Credit Suisse AG. Jamie also previously acted for the Claimants in related proceedings in Bermuda. Instructed by Signature Litigation and Blake Morgan.

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Private Client Trusts and Probate

Contentious trust and probate is a significant element of Jamie's practice. He has undertaken secondments in the private client litigation departments of Kingsley Napley and Farrer & Co and is regularly instructed in disputes both onshore and in offshore jurisdictions. Recent cases include:

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Copley v Kleinwort Hambros: Jamie acts for the Defendant in a claim for breach of trust. Instructed by Farrer & Co,

Etroy v Speechly Bircham: Jamie acts for the Claimant in a professional negligence claim in respect of tax advice provided in relation to a trust. Led by Richard Wilson QC, instructed by Withers.

Farmer v Farmer: Jamie acted for the minor children in four interrelated claims under the Inheritance Act which also included issues in respect to the beneficial ownership of a sizeable property portfolio. Instructed by Birketts.

Re X Trusts: Jamie acted for the Protectors in an application concerning the construction of the trust deed and the interpretation of the Protectors' powers. Led By Elizabeth Jones QC and William Henderson, instructed by Farrer & Co. See [2021] SC (Bda) 72 Civ

Schumacher v Clarke: Jamie acted for the Claimant in a claim to remove fellow executors and trustees of the estate of Dame Zaha Hadid. Led by Richard Wilson QC, instructed by Penningtons Manches Cooper.

Company

Jamie regularly advises on claims in relation to directors' duties and shareholder disputes, as well as appearing in the Companies Court. Recent cases include:

Re Perfect Pitches Limited: Jamie acted for the Petitioner in a winding up petition on the just and equitable ground.

Charles v Charles: Jamie acted for the Claimant in a claim for breach of a shareholders' agreement, including obtaining a mandatory injunction. Instructed by Russell-Cooke.

Re Deal Partners Limited: Jamie acted for the Petitioners in a winding up petition on the just and equitable ground. Led by Dan Fritz, instructed by Kingsley Napley.

Re Klimvest: Jamie acted for the Company in a winding up petition on the just and equitable ground. Instructed by Mayer Brown.

Insolvency

Jamie has appeared regularly in the Insolvency Court, including bankruptcy petitions, applications for charging orders, and applications to bring proceedings against an insolvent company.

Arbitration

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Client Testimonials

Of all the Chambers with whom we enjoy a close relationship, Serle Court are absolutely at the top of the list. More friends than professional colleagues, they have within the set truly stellar performers both at Silk and Junior level – indeed the Juniors have little to choose between them in terms of skill set, application and all round team work. Our relationship with Chambers goes back to the late 1980s and our own growth has very much mirrored that of Chambers and operated at times hand in hand with them in our key practice areas. Serle Court has been able to secure additional new talent over the last few years, aside from the home grown ability it possesses and we look forward to many future years success and the pleasure of working with them.

Publications

[*Shanda Games Ltd v Maso Capital Investments Ltd & Ors*](#) [2020] UKPC 2, January 2020

Awards

Lord Denning Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn

Buchanan Prize, Lincoln's Inn

Hardwicke Entrance Award, Lincoln's Inn

Education & Qualifications

Brasenose College, University of Oxford: BA Classics (First Class)

City Law School: GDL (Distinction)

City Law School: BPTC (Outstanding)

Memberships

Commercial Bar Association
