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## Geraldine Clark - Associate

Year of Call: 1988

*"obviously very bright and an excellent lawyer"*

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## Practice Overview

Geraldine Clark is moving to New Zealand in October 2016. Once established there she intends to practise as an international commercial arbitrator and mediator.

To reflect her overseas move, on 1 August 2016 she became member to chambers instead of a full tenant.

Geraldine Clark practised at the English bar from 1989 to 2016. She had a diverse commercial practice with particular emphasis on high value international commercial contracts. She is skilled in resolving disputes through litigation (Commercial Court or Chancery Division), arbitration and mediation.

She sits as a Recorder and as a Deputy High Court Judge.

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## Areas of Expertise

### Recommendations

Professional Negligence Legal 500

Shipping Legal 500

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### Quotes

"obviously very bright and an excellent lawyer"

"excellent legal acumen, good procedural knowledge and tactical awareness"

"excellent drafting skills"

"excellent legal analysis allied to strong advocacy skills"

"noted by interviewees for her affability"

"particular skill in analysing data and working with experts"

### Publications

Contributor to Bar Council's paper "Reforming Civil Litigation" 2013

"Jonathan Sumption QC on Appellate Advocacy" The Circuiter, April 2010

"Buyers' rights when shops go bust" The Lawyer, 15 April 2009

"Shipping: damages for breach of contract" Law Society Gazette, 27 November 2008

"Do England's Courts have Jurisdiction?" Flow Chart, September 2005

"Injuncting calls on a performance guarantee absent fraud: The "Passion" Journal of International Banking Law and Regulation, June 2005

Kluwer Insurance & Reinsurance Law Briefing:

"Mortgagee protection clauses: brokers beware" 10 September 1999

"Composite policies: a trap for unwary insurers" 13 April 1999

### Talks

"Degrees of Sophistication: Banks liability for mis-selling structured products" COMBAR British Virgin Islands April 2011

"Better Dispute Resolution" (Lloyd's List Maritime Arbitration Conference, July 2009)

"Appealing from arbitration all the way to the House of Lords" (Lloyd's List Maritime Arbitration Conference, December 2008)  
"Time, place & trickery: Three recent decisions of the House of Lords" (IBA Conference in Athens, June 2008)  
"Non-disclosure, warranties and brokers: Proposal for Reform"  
"Directors and Officers' Insurance for Corporate Trustees"  
"England's Courts, English Law: A practical introduction to jurisdiction and choice of law."  
"As Good as Cash? Injuncting calls on letters of credit and performance bonds"

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## **Education & Qualifications**

Glasgow University LLB (Hons)  
Carnegie Trust Scholarship  
Dipolma in Law  
Holt Scholar of Gray's Inn  
IoD Chartered Director (Distinction)

## **Appointments**

Deputy High Court Judge 2013  
Records, London & South Eastern Circuit (authorised to sit in Civil and Crime) 2006-present  
Gray's Inn Student Committee 2009-2011  
Gray's Inn Continuing Education & Advocacy Committee 2007-2011  
CEDR Solve Panel 2005-2011  
Director, Newham Training & Education Council 2001-2008

## **Memberships**

Chancery Bar Association  
Commercial Bar Association  
LMAA (Support Member)  
British Irish Commercial Bar Association

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