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## Richard Hine

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## Practice Overview

Richard joined Chambers in October 2024 after successfully completing pupillage under the supervision of [Matthew Morrison](#), [Jennifer Meech](#), [Michael Walsh](#), and [Emma Hargreaves](#).

As a pupil, Richard worked on a range of matters including commercial litigation, insolvency, property, and offshore trust litigation. He is developing a broad commercial chancery practice across Chambers' core practice areas.

Before coming to the Bar, Richard worked at a Big Four accounting firm for over five years. He is a Chartered Accountant (ACA – ICAEW) and Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA – CIOT).

Prior to pupillage Richard spent a year working as a Judicial Assistant in the Court of Appeal, and a year working as a Research Assistant at the Law Commission of England and Wales

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## Areas of Expertise

### Commercial Litigation

*The Motoring Organisation v Spectrum Insurance Services* [2024] EWHC 261 (Comm): assisted [Matthew Morrison](#), acting on behalf of the successful claimants, with the High Court liability trial of a claim for breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duty, and breach of confidence in relation to the alleged misappropriation of a business opportunity.

Assisted [Jennifer Meech](#) with a defence to a claim alleging breach of a non-competition clause in a commercial contract.

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### Private Client Trusts and Probate

Assisted [Emma Hargreaves](#) by undertaking extensive, detailed, and wide-ranging research in relation to high-value offshore trust litigation.

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### Civil Fraud

Assisted [Jennifer Meech](#) with an application in the High Court for a freezing injunction in relation to a claim against the former directors of a company arising from the alleged misappropriation of the company's money and property.

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### Insolvency

Assisted [Matthew Morrison](#) with an application in the Insolvency and Companies Court for an injunction to restrain a creditor from presenting a winding up petition.

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### Partnership and LLP

Assisted [Michael Walsh](#) with a defence and counterclaim in relation to a dispute between the former partners of a professional partnership.

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## International and Offshore

Assisted [Emma Hargreaves](#) by undertaking extensive, detailed, and wide-ranging research in relation to high-value offshore trust litigation.

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## Property

Assisted [Michael Walsh](#) with a defence to a dilapidations claim concerning a commercial property.

Assisted [Michael Walsh](#) with bringing and defending possession proceedings in relation to high-value residential properties.

Assisted [Michael Walsh](#) with an application for permission to appeal to the Supreme Court in relation to a dispute concerning, among other things, the right to first refusal under the statutory scheme of Part 1 of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1987.

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## Professional Negligence

*Morris and Ors v Williams & Co* [2024] EWCA Civ 376: assisted [Jennifer Meech](#) (led by Simon Johnson), acting on behalf of the successful respondents, with the Court of Appeal hearing of an appeal concerning the ability of multiple claimants to use a single claim form and set of proceedings to bring claims alleging professional negligence against a firm of solicitors.

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## Awards

Best team award – Worshipful Company of Arbitrators Arbitration Competition

Best oral advocate award and joint overall winner – European Law Student Association Commercial Moot

Civil litigation silver award – Inns of Court College of Advocacy

Bar Course Exhibition Award – Inner Temple

GDL Exhibition Award – Inner Temple

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## Education & Qualifications

Bar Course – Inns of Court College of Advocacy

GDL (Distinction) – BPP University

Chartered Tax Adviser (CTA) – Chartered Institute of Taxation (CIOT)

Chartered Accountant (ACA) – Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)



