



Paul Johnson

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Paul Johnson is recognised as one of the leading mediators in the UK. He is a former senior solicitor / partner (1990-2006) who transferred to the Bar in 2006, to focus solely on mediating disputes. He has mediated over 1200 disputes in a wide range of areas.

Described by clients as “exceptional”, “brilliant” and “sensational”, Paul has been consistently ranked for many years in all the main directories: The Legal 500 (Hall of Fame), Chambers & Partners, Who's Who Legal / Lexology Chambers & Partners High Net Worth.

Paul's success rate is very high. He creates a confidential, respectful, and focused environment for parties to reflect on the issues, consider, build, and agree on solutions that work. He has helped many litigants achieve settlements that have enabled them to progress from the dispute, both personally and professionally.

Expertise

Mediators

Paul has mediated many types of disputes. Below are some categories of disputes with some examples:

Banking

- Enforcement
- FSMA/COBS
- Fraud
- Hedging and derivatives products

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Commercial / Contract

- Competition
- Defective machinery
- Terminations
- Renegotiations
- Franchises
- Logistics
- Service contracts
- Warranty claims

Construction

- Commercial and domestic sectors
- Design, construction & M&E claims
- Claims against architects, surveyors, valuers and sub-contractors
- High value development projects

Divorce

- Financial resolution

Employment

- Breach of covenants
- Disability discrimination
- Fiduciary duties
- Race discrimination
- Share options
- Springboard injunctions
- Unfair dismissal
- Wrongful dismissal

Fraud

- Employees
- Financial advisers
- Local Authorities
- Insurance

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- NHS trusts
- Property
- Supply chains
- Tax

Group Action

- Costs
- Nuisance (noise / odour)
- Traveller's community

Inheritance / Probate / Trusts

- Breach of duty by trustees
- Capacity
- Duress
- Deputy claims
- Forgery
- Fraud
- Calumny
- Estoppel
- Farms
- Removal of Executors
- Undue influence
- 1975 Act claims

Insolvency

- Financial assistance
- Fraudulent trading
- Public interest winding up petitions
- Voidable transactions
- Wrongful trading

Intellectual Property

- Branding
- Copyright and design

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- Website ownership

International / Overseas Parties

- Belgium
- Brazil
- Canada
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Ireland
- Isle of Man
- Italy
- Japan
- Singapore
- Spain
- Switzerland
- Taiwan
- UAE
- USA

Partnership

- Accountants
- Architects
- Doctors
- Farms
- Solicitors
- Surveyors

Personal Injury

- Civil claims for serious assault
- Disability discrimination
- Mental capacity issues

Professional Negligence

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- Accountants
- Agronomists
- Architects
- Barristers
- Financial advisers
- Insurance brokers
- Solicitors
- Surveyors

Property & Planning

- Agricultural tenancies
- Boundary disputes
- Commercial Developments
- Dilapidations
- Forfeiture
- Hazardous waste disposal
- Overage
- Property mismanagement
- Rent Act tenancies
- TOLATA

Public Sector

- Charities
- Local authorities
- Government departments

Shareholders (and Directors)

- Directors' duties
- Shareholder s994 petitions
- Quasi partnership
- Warranty claims

Sport

- Cricket

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- Football
- Rugby
- Triathlon

Testimonials

"Paul Johnson is brilliant. He is incredibly good at dealing with more complicated work. I find he is really easy to work with."

Chambers HNW

"Paul is good at building rapport. When you have difficult personalities, he's great at making people look past that; people warm to him."

Chambers & Partners 2026

"Paul will always tell me his view on the law to gently steer towards a settlement. He'll sometimes let the clients have a session to vent and get it out."

Chambers & Partners 2026

"Paul Johnson is a highly capable mediator, who is extremely likeable and a master at getting into the nitty gritty."

Legal 500 2025

"Paul knows when to push, when to back off and, most importantly, how to guide warring factions to that elusive deal."

Chambers HNW 2025

"Paul has great insight and the ability to bring people together in a mediation with great sensitivity. He is warm and friendly."

Chambers & Partners 2025

"Paul is fantastic and great at managing expectations. He is also extremely bright and personable. I would use him again in a heartbeat."

Chambers High Net Worth 2023

"He would be my go-to. He somehow makes the process not as painful as it might be. It is charisma and the way he communicates, looking at the dispute in a sympathetic way."

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"Paul Johnson brings a vast amount of experience to his broad mediation practice, which includes trusts matters."

Chambers High Net Worth 2023

"Paul Johnson is thorough, well prepared and personable."

Chambers & Partners 2023

"He is a very strong mediator who does not let parties get away with taking unreasonable stances or refusing to engage."

Chambers & Partners 2022

"Bright, reliable, trustworthy and fun to work with."

Legal 500 2022

Appointments

- Admitted as Solicitor (1990)

Memberships

- Sport Resolution – Mediation Panel Member
- Chancery Bar Association

Education & Qualifications

- Brunel University (1983-1987)
- College of Law (1987-1988)

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