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SPECIALISMS

Business and Property Litigation

Matthew specialises in advising and representing clients in property and commercial matters, applying robust and forceful Crown Court jury advocacy experience developed in the early stages of his career where needed. Matthew thrives on cases involving complex legal questions. Matthew's main areas of practice include:

- Property: unlawful forfeiture and relief from forfeiture; landlord and tenant (commercial and residential); easements/rights of way;
- Trusts and TOLATA;
- First-tier and Upper-tier Tribunals, including the Property Chamber and Tax Chamber;
- Directors disqualification;
- Contractual disputes;
- Licensing.

Before joining Chambers, Matthew worked at a leading commercial litigation firm in Toronto, Canada named Lenczner Slaght LLP. He advocated in and worked on cases including a high profile three-month inquest into the police shooting of three mentally-ill persons, to a defamation claim by Canadian businessmen against a newspaper in India and a claim against the Cuban government.

Matthew undertook a commercial (under Simon Goldberg) and crime pupillage (under Caroline Goodwin QC). Matthew was regularly instructed in criminal matters during pupillage. Matthew appeared in Courts across the country (including London) in cases ranging from complex frauds prosecuted by a QC, terrorism cases and large gang cases. Matthew developed a particular specialism in white collar crime.

Matthew regularly delivers CPD accredited seminars on commercial litigation, including most recently in a seminar entitled "I want to break free: relief from sanctions".

Human Rights

Matthew has been appointed by the Attorney General to the Government's Panel of Counsel. He receives regular instructions to represent government departments in cases of complexity and sensitivity.

Matthew has a wide range of experience in human rights law. Matthew has worked and advised on several significant cases both domestically and internally, including matters involving countries as diverse as Bangladesh, Cuba, Libya, Ukraine and Uganda. Matthew co-authored two book chapters that were published in authoritative texts by Oxford University Press and Palgrave Macmillan. Matthew's human rights practice now focuses heavily on human rights claims against the government and actions against the Police (including unlawful detention), for which Matthew is able to draw on his expertise in criminal law. Matthew also handles death in custody cases.

Licensing

Matthew accepts instructions on all licensing matters, particularly relating to property, alcohol and firearms. Matthew appears in licensing matters before Tribunals, Magistrates' Courts and Crown Courts.

APPOINTMENTS & MEMBERSHIPS

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PUBLICATIONS

W. Jordash QC and M. R. Crowe, 'Evidentiary Challenges for the Defence: Domestic and International Prosecutions of International Crimes', in E. van Sliedregt and S. Vasiliev, *Pluralism in International Criminal Law* (OUP, 2014).

W. Jordash QC and M. R. Crowe, 'Comparing Fairness and Due Process at the SCSL with the ad-hoc Tribunals: The Consequences for Transitional Justice', in K. Ainley, R. Friedman and C. Mahony (eds) *Evaluating Transitional Justice: Accountability and Peacebuilding in Post-Conflict Sierra Leone* (London: Palgrave Macmillan, 2015).

Environmental Law Review Update, Sage Publications. This is a quarterly publication written by members of Trinity Chambers and Newcastle University. It addresses the changes in environmental law over the preceding quarter with accompanying commentary.

'The International Criminal Court and Maidan', UCMC November 2015 (and others).

Other miscellaneous publications.

AWARDS

The Pegasus Scholarship; Harold G. Fox Scholarship; The Queen Mother's Scholarship; The Middle Temple Certificate of Honour; Miscellaneous University Awards and Prizes.

EDUCATION & MEMBERSHIPS

Academic Visitor (2013-14), University of Toronto; External Member, Northumbria Centre for Evidence and Criminal Justice Studies; M Law (BPTC), Northumbria;

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Matthew is qualified to accept instructions direct from businesses and individuals, ask a member of the clerking team if you have a direct access enquiry.

Until recently, Matthew was a Consultant for Global Rights Compliance LLP, which is an advisory firm specialising in international human rights, humanitarian and criminal law and business and human rights. Its work includes advising the Council of Europe, the Foreign and Commonwealth Office and foreign states.

Matthew lectures at local universities and judges a number of moots including the international FDI Moot, the international Jessup Moot and others.