



ASHLEY TUCKER

BA
Postgraduate Diploma in Law

1990 – Called Middle Temple

I treat age as a personal matter, not necessary for disclosure. When not slaving on behalf of those who pay me I will play 5 a side football for Leeds Bar in the Leeds Law League (2008/9 will be my 13th season). I am a member of the Richard III Society and more locally the Towton Battlefield Historical Society. Perhaps inevitably then I also like having a nosey in historic houses, castles and churches, but for my sins it is Hillsborough the home of Sheffield Wednesday F.C.

When I do work it is in chancery, commercial, employment and other related areas, and I still take on Inquest work.

Areas of Practice:

Wills, Trusts and Probate

- Advising on the construction, effect and validity of Wills, including mental competence, fraud and undue influence
- Advising and litigating on the conduct of the administration of estates by personal representatives, including challenging grants of probate, challenging the conduct of the administration by the personal representative, applications under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependents) Act 1975 and the recovery of the costs of care by local authorities
- Advising on trusts, in particular in relation to negligent conveyancing of property interests, proprietary estoppel and constructive trusts

Commercial/Company

- Drafted memoranda and articles of association and amendments to memoranda and articles of association for company agents as well as companies
- Drafted and advised on commercial contracts (e.g. supply of kit and other sportswear to a Professional Rugby Team)
- Act on a regular basis for Claimants and Defendants in litigation in typical commercial claims
- Have appeared on behalf of erring directors in director's disqualification actions by the DTI
- Able to bring an acquired knowledge of commercial practices into consideration when instructed in commercial and company matters

Landlord/Tenant

- Largely experience relating to commercial premises, advising on a variety of aspects in relation to leases, licenses and tenancy matters
- Occasional drafting of commercial leases and notices
- Occasional litigation, largely on behalf of tenants
- Some exposure though to the Leasehold Reform Act 1967 and The Commonhold and Leasehold Reform Act 2002

Associated areas of practice

- Chancery, including boundary disputes, rights of way, adverse possession claims, trespass and nuisance claims relating to land
- Professional negligence, including claims in relation to conveyancing and local authority advice relating to enquiries touching and concerning land
- Employment, most aspects, including restrictive covenants in employment contracts
- Partnership, occasionally, mainly issues relating to dissolution, but sometimes drafting agreements

Other areas of practice

- Costs hearings
- Inquests

Additional information

Have presented lectures in the past on, amongst other subjects, boundary disputes, restrictive covenants in employment contracts, and chancery procedure

Recommended in Legal 500 2007: “a highly effective chancery and commercial lawyer”