



Nicholas de la Poer

Qualification: BA (Hons) DUNELM (English Literature);
Post Graduate Diploma in Law

Year of Call: 2003

Inn: Gray's

Main Areas of Practice:

Contract and Commercial

- Building disputes
- Consumer disputes
- Commercial disputes
- Contractual interpretation
- Franchises
- Invoice finance
- Liquidated and Ascertained damages clauses
- Novation
- Regulatory levies
- Third party debt orders

Procedural experience:

- Interim injunctions (including without notice)
- Arbitration (under the Arbitration Act 1996)
- Mediation
- County Court/High Court
- Summary judgment/strike out
- Appeal from summary judgment/strike out ruling
- Appeal from small claims

Recent Cases:

MCCD v Citywall (Leeds) Ltd (2007-2009): for the claimant; led junior in arbitration; claim pleaded in excess of £500,000.00 (on going)

Morton Retail Services Ltd v McNicholas (2008): for the defendant; dispute between builder and bar owner; claim and counterclaim; claim pleaded in excess of £100,000.00 (on going)

Midland Communication Ltd v Khan (2008): for the defendant; issues included contractual interpretation; claim pleaded in excess of £200,000.00.

Buttmarsh Ltd v The Online Travel Group Ltd (2007): for the defendant; application to strike out/summary judgment; appeal against refusal to strike out/summary judgment; issues included novation

Brown v Bett (2007): for the claimant; claim in relation to trademarks; resolved through mediation

Cattles Invoice Finance Ltd v Seyben and Seyben (2005-2006): for the defendants; claim and counterclaim arising out of an invoice finance agreement

Additional Information:**Scholarships:**

Gray's Inn Junior Scholar (Lord Justice Holker Award)
Gray's Inn Senior Scholar

Recommendations:

Legal 500 2008-09 (Crime): "...building a very good practice at an early call"
Legal 500 2007-08 (Crime): "...showing extremely well"

Mooting:

Winner of the Louise Godfrey QC Inaugural Mooting Competition (Senior Judge: Henriques J)

Interests:

Fell Running, Mountaineering