# Whitestone Chambers



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#### **CHRISTOPHER HANGES (Call 2010)**

Christopher joined 4KBW in July 2016 following a civil pupillage at 36 Bedford Row. Prior to the self-employed bar, he gained experience of in-house advisory work for a significant asset management firm. Christopher has also worked abroad in Dublin in private practice for the litigation department of a firm noted for its asset management, finance and insurance expertise.

## **Practice**

Christopher continues to be instructed by solicitors from his pupillage and undertakes a full range of civil paperwork and court instructions including:

- Commercial Chancery / Consumer Credit / Company and Trust disputes / Art Law
- Insurance / Personal Injury / Professional negligence
- Property & Land / Planning / Landlord and Tenant / Leasehold Disputes
- Aviation and compensation claims
- Employment
- Advisory, document review and disclosure

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## **Aviation**

Having undergone rigorous in-house training, Christopher welcomes court and paperwork instructions, from both solicitors and airlines directly, in the following areas:

- Compensation claims for delay, cancellation or denied boarding.
- Montreal Convention claims.
- Claims arising from unruly passengers.

# **Commercial & Chancery**

Christopher has a wide range of experience at advising and assisting clients at all stages of litigation from pre-action through to costs and enforcement. He is also able to advise clients how to manage legal and regulatory risks. He has had experience in the following:

- Contract claims
- Consumer Credit
- Trust disputes including Beddoe cost protection and Unit Trust structuring.
- Art law and Heritage Assets
- Costs
- Bonds and construction of terms
- Banking and Funds including AIFMD, Investment Management and Agreements.

#### Examples of experience gained:

- Madoff Securities Trustee in Bankruptcy litigation in claims relating to Alternative Advantage, Kalix and HSBC
- Restoration of Ivory artefacts seized on importation
- Inheritance of purported Constable painting
- Disputed Bond redemption on behalf of Barclays Wealth
- Danish Polish Telecommunication Group I/S.v. Telekomunikacja Polska SA opposing the adjournment of or non-recognition of an arbitral award
- Public interest grounds for departing from normal costs rules in appeals

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# **Property**

Christopher has a busy property practice and welcomes both court and paperwork instructions in the following areas:

- Landlord and Tenant
- Planning
- Leasehold
- Land including Easements and Covenants

# Examples of work Christopher has undertaken:

- Assisting the Athlone House Working Group in the Athlone House Planning Enquiry.
- Successfully mediating settlement in a two day multi track possession trial
- Successfully settled service charge dispute with construction issues.
- Assisted in asserting a construction easement against Railtrak.

## Insurance, Personal Injury & Professional Negligence

Christopher has gained significant in-depth expertise in a wide range of personal injury, professional negligence, and any general tortious claim, through being regularly instructed by the Ministry of Justice Private Litigation Team on the Attorney General's Off-Panel Junior Counsel list ("Junior Junior scheme").

#### Work undertaken includes:

- Advice as to coverage
- Letters of response, advice on liability and quantum, witness statements, and disclosure exercises
- Small claims and fast track trials and case management hearings
- Quantum and settlement hearings

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