

George Bompas QC

Called: 1975

Silk: 1994



Areas Of Practice

Company and insolvency work (litigation and advisory), regulatory, banking/insurance and financial services law, professional negligence litigation.

Cases Of Interest

More recent reported cases include:

Clydesdale Financial Services v Smailes (removing administrators) (2009) LTL 18/6/2009
 Gresham International v Moonie [2009] 2 BCLC 256 (liquidator's costs in unsanctioned proceedings)
 Firstcoin v Peace (2008) LTL 20/4/2009 (disputed shareholders' resolution – successfully opposing interim injunction)
 Doughty Hanson v Roe [2008] 1 BCLC 404 (pre-emption in company's articles)
 Walbrook Trustees v Fattal [2007] EWHC 2008 (Ch) (joint venture rights of pre-emption)
 Multiplex v Cleveland Bridge [2007] EWCA Civ 433 (contract interpretation)

Other cases include:

Re Capital Cabs [2006] BCC 276; Music Sales v Shapiro Bernstein [2006] 1 BCLC 371; Lloyd v Casey [2003] 1 BCLC 454; Re: Leeds United Holdings [1996] 2 BCLC 545 and Re BSB Holdings (No.2) [1996] 1 BCLC 155 (Unfair prejudice proceedings)
 Shahar v Tsitsekkos [2004] EWHC (Ch) (derivative action)
 Re: TLL Realisations [2000] BCC 998, Re Landhurst Leasing [1999] 1 BCLC 286, Dawes & Henderson [1997] 1 BCLC 329, SoS v Laing [1996] 2 BCLC 324, Re Living Images Ltd [1996] 1 BCLC 348 and Re Dominion International Group (No.2) [1996] 1 BCLC 572 (director disqualifications)
 Re: Barton Manufacturing Co [1998] BCC 827 (Insolvency Act s.238)
 Re Lomax Leisure [2000] Ch 502 (Administration petition - lessor's right of peaceable re-entry)
 Re Regalway Care [2005] EWHC 261 (Ch), Arena Corp v Schroeder [2003] EWHC 1089 (Ch), Re Jack Barrs Wholesale [2004] EWHC 18 (Ch) and Re Anglo-German Breweries [2002] EWHC 2458 (Ch) (Insolvency and recovery proceedings in MTIC and duty evasion cases)
 Shogun Finance Ltd v Hudson [2004] 1 AC 919 (mistaken identity in contract formation)
 Giles v Rhind [2003] Ch 618 (reflective loss)
 Needler Financial Services Ltd v Taber [2002] 3 All ER 501 (financial services - measure of damages for negligent financial advice)
 Re: Cox v Bankside Members Agency [1995] 1 Lloyd's Rep 437 (Lloyd's litigation - Third Parties (Rights Against Insurers) Act).

George Bompas has great experience, having acted over the years in many of the major corporate matters of public interest in the UK. Nevertheless he is approachable, versatile and a good problem solver. He is described in Chambers & Partners' Guide 2009 as "*brilliant at everything*" and "*an extremely measured advocate who is lightning-fast at grasping all the implications of a case*". The summary continues, "*Interviewees describe him as 'deceptively lethal – in cross-examination he can totally annihilate a witness whilst never being anything less than courteous'. Out of court [he] has a large advisory practice and is 'someone whom solicitors go to in order to stress-test solutions'*".

Publications

OUP "Annotated Companies Acts"; Tolley's Company Law, "Company Investigations"; Butterworth's Practical Insolvency, "Investigations" and "Funding Litigation and Assigning Claims".

Appointments

Junior Counsel (Chancery) to the Department of Trade and Industry (1989-94).
 George Bompas is approved to sit as a Deputy High Court Judge.

Overseas Qualifications

Called to the Bar of the British Virgin Islands and, for specific cases, to the Bar of Trinidad and Tobago.

Professional

Member of the Commercial Bar Association, the Chancery Bar Association and the Insolvency Lawyers Association.

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Notes

George Bompas is listed by Chambers & Partners as one of the leading Silks in Chancery/Commercial, Company, Financial Services and Insolvency, and by the Legal 500 as one of the Leading Silks in Company, Banking and Insolvency.



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