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**Alastair Tomson
MA (Cantab)**

Called: 2004

Areas of Practice

Litigation and advice in the fields of Company Law, Corporate Fraud, Insolvency, Commercial Litigation, Public Law.

Alastair's recent experience has included:

Company law

- s459 unfair prejudice:
Junior to Christopher Harrison on behalf of a respondent/cross petitioner in multi-million pound action.
- Mergers and acquisitions
Providing advice and transactional support in a major acquisition, including advice on the cancellation of bearer shares.

Commercial law and litigation

- International commercial law:
Junior to John Brisby QC and Richard Hill in major ongoing contractual dispute in the tobacco industry.
- Sale of goods
Obtained ex-parte injunction in the High Court in a sale of goods dispute concerning questions of agency and title.
- Economic torts

Acting for a co-defendant in a claim in economic torts for alleged assistance in breaches of restrictive covenants in an employment contract.

- Unlawful distraint
Acting on behalf of bailiffs in defending a number of claims for unlawful distraint.

Insolvency

- Corporate insolvency:
numerous cases including contested winding-up petitions, injunctions to restrain presentation or advertisement of winding-up petitions, and actions on behalf of a liquidator to recover company assets.
- Personal insolvency:
a range of instructions including obtaining bankruptcy orders, and acting in proceedings for a possession and sale order.

Public Law

- Competition:
Working for the Office of Fair Trading on a major cartel investigation.

Languages

Working knowledge of French.

Academic

MA King's College, Cambridge.

CPE University of Birmingham.

BVC (Outstanding), Inns of Court School of Law.

Lord Mansfield Major Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn.

Lord Haldane Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn.

Kennedy Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn.

Hardwicke Award, Lincoln's Inn.

Buchanan Prize for BVC results, Lincoln's Inn.

Blackstone Chambers Mooting Champion, Inns of Court School of Law.

Allen & Overy Camm Cup Mooting Champion and Lady Barber Prize for Mooting, University of Birmingham.

Professional

Member of the Commercial Bar Association, Chancery Bar Association, Administrative Law Bar Association and the Bar European Group.

Notes

Alastair Tomson spent almost six years in business consultancy with a company which he co-founded, and therefore has practical experience both of the commercial world and of running a business. He was a member of a regional committee of the Institute of Directors between 2001 and 2002.

He is currently completing a Master of Laws by thesis in the field of Private International Law, in particular anti-suit injunctive relief.