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George Bompas QC

MA (Oxon)

Called: 1975

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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:

Shogun Finance Ltd v Hudson [2003] UKLH 62 (mistaken identity in contract);

Giles v Rhind [2003] Ch 618 (reflective loss);

Arena Corp v Schroeder [2003] EWHC 1089 (fraud – freezing order discharged for non-disclosure);

Lloyd v Casey [2002] 1 BCLC 454 (Companies Act s.459).

Other cases include

Needler Financial Services Ltd v Taber [2002] 3 All ER 501 (measure of damages for negligent financial advice);

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: Leeds United Holdings [1996] 2 BCLC 545 and Re BSB Holdings (No.2) [1996] 1 BCLC 155 (Companies Act s.459);

Re: TLL Realisations [2000] BCC 998; Re Landhurst Leasing [1999] 1 BCLC 286; 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: Cox v Bankside Members Agency [1995] 1 Lloyd's Rep 437 (Lloyd's litigation - Third Parties (Rights Against Insurers) Act).

George Bompas has acted in many of the major corporate matters of public interest in the UK, including the Guinness affair, the Blue Arrow rights issue affair, the Barlow Clowes affair (in which he acted for the SIB and DTI), the Brent Walker refinancing and associated proceedings, and major litigation resulting from the collapse of BCCI (acting for the National Commercial Bank of Saudi Arabia), as well as in cases in, or involving, overseas jurisdictions. He has also acted on the instructions of names in the Lloyd's litigation, of an Equitable Life action group, and of the Policy Holders Protection Board in insolvent insurance company schemes.

Publications

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

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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.