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Recommendations

Simon is recommended in Legal 500 and Chambers & Partners. Comments have included:

- client-friendly manner, clear thinking and unparalleled technical industry knowledge
- pragmatic, intelligent and very insightful
- exceptional and incredibly effective
- thoughtful, inventive and extremely hard-working
- able to fiddle with the nuts and bolts of a case as if he's tuning a radio
- prepared to roll up his sleeves and get under the bonnet of a case
- broad-shouldered approach to weighty commercial disputes
- admired as an advocate who puts his points across fairly and quickly without any grandstanding
- a pleasure to deal with

Practice

Simon Henderson has a wide ranging commercial practice with particular expertise and extensive experience in:

- Technology and Telecoms
- Construction, Energy and Adjudication
- Commercial
- Professional negligence

Technology and Telecoms

Simon has extensive experience of advising and representing hardware and software developers and users in a variety of claims and across a wide range of different industries. His work prior to being called to the Bar with Andersen Consulting (now Accenture) as a computer programmer and designer gives him first hand knowledge and understanding of large scale IT projects and the challenges commonly faced by both providers and customers.

As well as acting in court and assisting with all aspects of formal dispute resolution, Simon is also used to advising clients at all stages of the dispute resolution process including: in ongoing situations as difficulties arise on live projects; at the pre-action stage; mediation and in full-blown court proceedings or arbitration.

Simon has a wide experience of all methods of ADR. He is a CEDR accredited mediator and as well as accepting appointments as a mediator, is able to assist clients at all stages of the mediation process.



Reported cases include:

- AstraZeneca UK Ltd v IBM where Simon acted for IBM in a dispute arising out of termination of a global outsourcing agreement. Issues included scope and duration of exit obligations during lengthy Exit Period.
- Ericsson AB v EADS Defence & Security Systems Ltd where Simon acted for the main contractor – EADS - in a dispute with a sub-contractor arising out of the FiReControl project – a project to provide an emergency communications system to the Fire and Rescue Service in England. The Court considered, amongst other things, whether it was appropriate to grant an injunction preventing the termination of the contract pending an adjudication and what effect the contractual clauses relating to recoverability of losses had on the approach to such an injunction.

Construction and Energy

Simon is frequently instructed in a range of construction and energy disputes in which he acts both for and against employers, main contractors, sub contractors and professionals.

He has extensive experience of adjudication, arbitration and cases in the TCC. Reported cases include Co-Operative Retail Services v Taylor Young and others in the House of Lords.

He is instructed in a variety of contractual and technical disputes arising out of various aspects of the energy industry.

Cases include acting for British Nuclear Group Sellafield in a major contractual dispute concerning the reprocessing of nuclear waste; and acting in a major case arising out of the design and construction of an off-shore vessel for use in the oil industry.

Adjudication

He has an extensive and wide-ranging adjudication practice which encompasses both substantive proceedings and enforcement. He is involved at all stages.

Commercial

Areas of law covered include all aspects of contract law, sale of goods and insurance.

Professional negligence

Simon has extensive experience of professional negligence work especially disputes involving construction industry professionals, lawyers, accountants, valuers, surveyors and architects.

Qualifications

BA (Durham) Philosophy 1st Class Dip Law (City)

Previous Experience

Computer Programmer and Designer with Andersen Consulting (now Accenture)



ADR

CEDR Mediator Panel Member

This is a summary of Simon Henderson's CV. Please contact the [clerks](#) for a full version.