

## David Hoffman

Year of Call: 1997



## Practice Summary

David specialises in business and property work, primarily on the Northern Circuit. He is listed in both the Legal 500 and Chambers and Partners, the Legal 500 recommends him as having “exceptional understanding of the law.”

He undertakes a broad range of business and property work, including contract drafting as well as litigation, and general commercial work such as insurance, construction, e-commerce and professional negligence. His property practice includes property disputes, landlord and tenant, trusts and wills and he regularly acts in probate and inheritance matters. He is also experienced working as a junior to QCs and as part of a team on larger or more complex matters.

David is qualified as an arbitrator, and a Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators, and is a CEDR-accredited mediator. He is an experienced advocate both in mediation and arbitration and has an excellent record of settling cases by ADR.

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## Memberships

- Fellow Chartered Institute of Arbitrators
- CEDR Exchange
- Northern Circuit Commercial Bar Association
- Society of Legal Scholars
- Selden Society
- Northern and European Circuit

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## Publications

- Journal of Professional Negligence (2018) book review of Professor Jane Wright’s “Tort Law and Human Rights” (2nd edition)

- Human Rights in the UK: An Introduction to the Human Rights Act 1998
- David Hoffman and John Rowe QC (Pearson, 4th edition 2013)
- “The authors have combined meticulous scholarship with an enviable ability to express matters, however complex, in clear and understandable terms” (Lord Saville of Newdigate, Foreword to 2nd Edition)
- The Impact of the UK Human Rights Act on Private Law (editor; published: Cambridge 2011)
- ‘The chief glory of [the book] lies in its 12 substantive chapters on specific aspects of private law ... David Hoffman gives himself three modest pages at the end to reflect on the book’s contents, expressing the hope as he says ‘that the discussion’ in it ‘can assist’ in the effective reception of the HRA into private law ... He should be proud of what he has achieved here: a superb partnership between academics and practitioners, a volume very well presented by Cambridge – and an important contribution to legal understanding of the HRA.’ Conor Gearty, Public Law.
- Chapter co-written with Clive Freedman QC in ‘Civil Appeals’ edited by Michael Burton J, (Sweet & Maxwell, 2nd edition 2013)