

TANFIELD

PROPERTY & REAL ESTATE BARRISTERS



Tom Carpenter-Leitch

Year of call
2002

Tom Carpenter-Leitch has built up a niche area of expertise within Insolvency law, relating to both corporate and personal matters. He has wide knowledge in the field and regularly act in relation to liquidations, bankruptcies, director's disqualification, administration, administrative and other receiverships, individual and company voluntary arrangements, and partnerships insolvencies. He is equally comfortable advising Office Holders and creditors as directors and debtors.

Tom also practices within Business & Commercial and Property law, with a particular emphasis on Real Property and Landlord & Tenant negotiations.

In addition to these core specialism, Tom also has a varied commercial and modern chancery practice and a growing practice in IT (including software copyright) and Telecom's fields.

Tom's career started in a chartered accountancy role, and after having worked for two of the top five international accountancy firms trained as an insolvency practitioner, he brings over ten years of experience to his practice at the Bar. He also advises in professional negligence cases involving accountants and solicitors.

Tom has also lectured on Insolvency and on Data Protection Law.

Notable Cases

Willow Court Management Co v Alexander, Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber) [2016] UKUT 290 (LC)

Guidance on awards of costs for unreasonable conduct in the First Tier Tribunal.

Chong v Alexander [2016] EWHC 735 (Ch)

Trust law issues arising between participants following enfranchisement of a block of flats and company law issues concerning the subsequent conduct and control of the company owning the freehold where ownership is in unequal proportions.

Baker v West Reading Social Club [2014] EWHC 3033 (Ch); [2014] B.C.C 575

The inherent jurisdiction of the court to wind-up unincorporated club, and the extent of the appointed liquidator's powers.

Transview Properties Ltd v City Site Properties Ltd [2009] EWCA Civ 1255

Adducing fresh evidence on an appeal re rectification of a sale contract.

Robert Green v Westleigh Properties Limited [2008] EWHC 1474 (QB)

Effect of defects on a tenants' notice to purchase landlord's reversion under s.12 Landlord & Tenant Act 1987.

Microleve Ace Ltd v Joynt & ORS [2005] EWHC 1685 (Ch)

Beneficial ownership of assets of a business. Security interests.

Awards

- Buchanan Prize, Lincoln's Inn (2001)
- Taylor Prize, Nottingham Law School (2001)

Publications

- How unreasonable? Solicitors Journal 2016, 160 (27), 17
- Contributor, Service Charges & Management: Law & Practice, 2nd Edition, Sweet & Maxwell
- Contributor, Service Charges & Management: Law & Practice, 1st Edition, Sweet & Maxwell

Qualifications

- MA (Cantab), St John's College

Memberships

- Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales
- Property Bar Association