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Andrew Trotter



"Andrew Trotter is ridiculously hard-working. He is incredibly responsive and produces fantastic advocacy and drafting. He is just so good."

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Year of call: **2016**
Degree: **BA Dist (top of year), LLB First Class (2nd in year) (QUT); BCL Dist (Oxon) (Rhodes Scholar)**

Andrew's practice is focussed on heavy commercial litigation and arbitration. He is commonly instructed in complex and high-value disputes, which often raise issues of private international law and involve coordinated proceedings across several jurisdictions.

He is also instructed in offshore proceedings. He has been admitted to the legal profession in Australia since 2012, is called to the bar in Queensland and the BVI, has full rights of audience in the Dubai International Financial Centre, and has been instructed in substantial trials in the Cayman Islands and Isle of Man.

Andrew has been involved in one or more of the cases featured in The Lawyer's Top 20 Cases for each of 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022, 2024 and 2025. He is ranked as a leading junior for commercial litigation and civil fraud by both the Legal 500 and Chambers and Partners, and for offshore commercial disputes by Legal 500.

Before coming to the bar, Andrew was an Associate in the commercial litigation and arbitration group at White & Case LLP, where he acted on a range of commercial matters in the banking, energy and construction sectors across Europe, Africa, the Middle East and the CIS. Prior to that he was Associate to the Hon Robert French AC, then Chief Justice of the High Court of Australia. He tutored in company law and evidence at the Australian National University and his research has been published in leading English and Australian academic journals.

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EXPERIENCE

Commercial

Andrew's practice encompasses a broad range of commercial claims in the Commercial Court and Chancery Division. He draws on his experience as a commercial disputes solicitor at White & Case LLP.

"Andrew Trotter is absolutely phenomenal, He has the really rare combination of being phenomenally bright and very user-friendly. He's also a nice guy. It's hard to get all of that in one person."

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Cases

BHP Group (UK) Ltd & anor v Pogust Goodhead

[2025] EWHC 3153 (TCC)

Acting for BHP in a dispute with Pogust Goodhead, the law firm representing the claimants in the £36 billion claim arising out of the Fundão Dam collapse, and threatening a £1.3 billion claim in its own right for alleged interference with its relationship with its clients through settlement schemes in Brazil (for unlawful means conspiracy, inducing breach of contract, and a solicitor's equitable lien). These anti-suit proceedings concerned Pogust Goodhead's use of U.S. discovery to depose a witness in relation to that potential claim (with Andrew Scott KC)

[Cayman private equity firm] v [Middle-Eastern technology company]

DIFC, 2025-26

Acting for the claimant / arbitration respondent in a claim to set aside a DIAC arbitral award, concerning a $500 million judgment obtained in a Gulf State against a sovereign defendant (with Anneliese Day KC)

Kahlon v Liberty Steel Group Ltd & ors

DIFC, 2024-26

Lead Counsel for DIFC and DMCC companies in the Liberty Steel Group in claims brought by a former CEO for $32 million, an unquantified loss of opportunity and aggravated damages, arising out of alleged breaches of contract under DIFC or onshore UAE law (with Grant Kynaston and Tom Watret)

NMH & Anor v PWT & Anor

BVI, 2024-26

Acting for the Claimants in claims to enforce a $1bn+ ICC arbitral award against the defendant's $100m+ interest in an oil company operating across the Middle East and North Africa. The matter involves disputes over beneficial ownership and Middle Eastern banking practices, challenges to a charging order and proprietary freezing orders, and a jurisdiction challenge (led by Ben Valentin KC)

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Glencore Energy UK Ltd v Fueltrade Ltd

Commercial Court, 2022-26

Lead Counsel for Glencore in connection with a c.$60 million claim in debt and breach of contract against a Ghanaian purchaser of petroleum products (with Tom Watret)

Banco Sabadell SA v Cerberus Global NPL Associates LLC & ors

[2024] EWHC 1204 (Comm)

Acting for entities in the Cerberus group resisting claims for €365 million brought by one of Spain's largest banks under investment agreements and guarantees (with Andrew Scott KC and Gayatri Sarathy)

[European technology conglomerate] v [Australian construction firm]

2024–25

Acting for the Defendants to a threatened $30 million claim arising out of the divestment of UAE businesses, raising complex issues of jurisdiction and governing law (with Ben Valentin KC)

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation v Barclays Bank plc & ors

Chancery Division, 2021-25

Acting for UBS in a claim brought by FDIC (as receiver for failed US depositary institutions) against several major international banks, relating to the alleged manipulation between 2007 and 2009 of the USD LIBOR benchmark interest rate. The claims involve parallel proceedings before the US District Court for the Southern District of New York (with Brian Kennelly KC, Paul Luckhurst and Grant Kynaston)

[Joint Venture Vehicle] v [Middle-Eastern Telecom Company]

DIFC, 2023-25

Acting (unled) for the claimant bringing applications arising out of a worldwide freezing order against the indirect majority owner and Managing Director of a major telecommunications company, in aid of the enforcement of a $1.6 billion arbitration award. The underlying claims, pursued in the DIFC courts and ICC arbitrations seated in the DIFC, concern an elaborate fraudulent scheme, amongst other things, to defraud the claimant of its investment by procuring decisions from local officials by bribery and corruption

Sunny Day Limited & anor v Shivdasani & ors

Commercial Court, 2023-25

Acting for a Russian investor and BVI vehicle in a multimillion dollar claim against the founder of the Soneva chain of resorts in respect of a failed investment scheme in Thailand. The claims involve a pending jurisdiction dispute and claims under s.423 of the Insolvency Act 1986 (with Tony Peto KC)

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Equans EV Solutions Limited v WM Morrison Supermarkets Limited

Technology and Construction Court, 2024

Acting for Morrisons in a complex contractual dispute with a supplier of electric vehicle charging equipment and threatened injunction in respect of a £2.5 billion transaction (with Robert Anderson KC)

Securities and Exchange Commission v Terraform Labs Pte Ltd & Anor

High Court, 2024

Acting for Wintermute Trading Limited, a leading algorithmic trading firm, in a hotly contested application seeking evidence for proceedings in the District Court for the Southern District of New York brought by the SEC against Terraform, concerning $40 billion in losses suffered by retail and institutional investors from the collapse of the cryptocurrency Luna and the purported "stablecoin" Terra USD (with Robert Anderson KC and Peter Head)

[Re offshore gas project]

2024

Acting for an oil and gas major in relation to a prospective dispute concerning a $2bn+ offshore gas project

Credit Suisse London Nominees Ltd v Principal Investing Fund I Ltd & ors

Cayman & BVI, 2022-24

Acting for management shareholders in parallel proceedings in the Cayman Islands and BVI resisting winding up petitions brought on just and equitable grounds against three investment fund companies. The petitioners contend that serious misconduct (including misuse of assets, fraud and charging of unlawful fees) occurred in relation to four funds in which in excess of $500 million have been invested. The case has also involved various interlocutory applications including pending heavy applications for the discharge of provisional liquidators and Court-appointed receivers over shares in the funds. The litigation involves parallel proceedings in England and LCIA arbitration. The six-week trial in the Cayman Islands was held in the Cayman Islands in 2023 (with Michael Bloch KC, Andrew Hunter KC, Tom Weisselberg KC, Victoria Windle KC, Tom Richards KC, Tom Mountford, Timothy Lau, Marlena Valles and Ava Mayer)

Credit Suisse London Nominees v LV II Investment Management Limited

Grand Court of the Cayman Islands, 2023-24

Acting for the respondent to a creditor's winding up petition, in a dispute concerns whether the respondent should be wound up despite its $50m+ cross-claim in Switzerland under Swiss law in light of the decisions in Re Bayoil [1999] 1 WLR 147 and King v Bar Mutual Indemnity Fund [2023] EWHC 1408. Also acting in related parallel proceedings concerning a claim for declaratory relief in aid of the Swiss proceedings, a jurisdiction challenge in that claim, an application for a stay of execution pending resolution of the Swiss cross-claim, and associated appeals (with Tom Richards KC)

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Public Institution for Social Security of Kuwait v Al Rajaan & Ors

Commercial Court, 2020-24

Acting for the 20th defendant to a claim by PIFSS, a public institution authorised to operate the State of Kuwait's social-security system and pension scheme. The claim concerns bribes alleged to have been paid by various financial institutions and intermediaries. The payments are said to have been paid over a period of approximately 20 years, in a total amount exceeding US$840 million. The case was featured as one of The Lawyer's Top 20 cases of 2020 and 2025 (led variously by Robert Anderson KC and Harry Matovu KC).

[Trustee] v [Russian Bank]

LCIA Arbitration, 2024

Advising a litigation funder as to contractual and sanctions issues arising in connection with a $500 million+ claim by a trustee on behalf of noteholders against a Russian bank (with Michael Bloch KC)

Borrelli & ors v Otaibi & ors

Commercial Court, 2022-24

Acting for various Defendant fund managers and associated companies in claims brought by liquidators of four offshore funds for losses said to exceed £100 million arising from the alleged fraud, misconduct and mismanagement in the affairs of those funds. The claims are factually and legally complex and raise issues of breach of fiduciary duty and dishonest assistance under English, Cayman and BVI law, unlawful means conspiracy, unjust enrichment and knowing receipt (with Tom Weisselberg KC, Tom Mountford and Tim Lau)

Globe Investment Holdings Limited v Horton Holding Limited & ors

DIFC 2023; BVI 2023-25

Acting for the Defendants in a $180 million claim in the Courts of the British Virgin Islands and the Dubai International Financial Centre concerning the enforcement of a Sharjah judgment, resisted on the basis that the Sharjah judgment was obtained by fraud. The proceedings have involved a jurisdiction challenge and application to discharge a worldwide freezing order in the DIFC on the basis of material non-disclosure. The WFO has been successfully discharged; the BVI enforcement proceedings are ongoing (with Anthony Peto KC)

Bourlakova & ors v Estate of Oleg Bourlakov & ors

Commercial Court, 2023

Acting for the Provisional Administrator appointed by the Monegasque Court of First Instance in an application pursuant to CPR 19.12 to represent the Estate of the First Defendant in fraud proceedings involving damages claims up to $3 billion (with Robert Howe KC)

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Claimants in the Royal Mail Group Litigation v Royal Mail Group Limited

Supreme Court, 2021-23

Acting for Royal Mail in a Supreme Court appeal arising out of group litigation comprising hundreds of claims worth c.£500 million. The claims concern VAT chargeable on postal services since the UK's entry into the EU in the 1970s. The appeal to the Supreme Court is against a decision on preliminary issues ([2021] EWCA Civ 1173) concerning the application of limitation periods by analogy to a claim for an injunction under s.36(1) of the Limitation Act 1980 (with Javan Herberg KC and Emily Neill)

Wang v Real Assets (RA) Global Opportunity Fund I Limited

BVI, 2023

Acting for the second defendant seeking to intervene to oppose a claim by the purported ultimate beneficial owner of shares in a £200 million fund to rectify the shareholder register; the claim is part of wider cross-border litigation between the investor and fund manager (with Andrew Hunter KC and Marlena Valles)

White Oak Commercial Finance Europe (Non-Levered) Limited v Marsh Limited

2022-23

Advising an international insurance broker in relation to litigation arising from the collapse of Greensill Capital in 2021; a related insurance dispute is being litigated before the Federal Court of Australia (with Andrew Scott KC)

Koza Limited & anor v Koza Altın letmeleri A & Ors

[2021] EWHC 2131 (Ch); [2022] 2 B.C.L.C. 213; [2021] EWHC 2471 (Ch); [2022] Costs L.R. 377; [2022] EWCA Civ 1284; [2023] 2 WLUK 543 (U

Acting for an English mining company and its director in a dispute over the authority of purported representatives of its Turkish parent company, following the alleged expropriation of Turkish companies worth c.$5-6bn by the Turkish State. Acted in various interlocutory applications including for service out of the jurisdiction and injunctive relief in relation to a substantial North American mining project. The case raises issues of company law, recognition of foreign judgments, and the indirect enforcement of foreign penal laws (with Michael Bloch KC and Andrew Scott KC)

Hermitage One Limited v Heda Airlines Limited

Isle of Man High Court, 2020-21; Staff of Government Division 2021; Privy Council 2022

Advising the Defendant to a $16 million claim in respect of the refinancing of a private jet, arising in the context of the high-profile divorce of a Russian businessman; successful at trial and on appeal in the Isle of Man, and in resisting permission to appeal to the Privy Council (as sole English counsel assisting Manx advocate at trial and on appeal; with Shaheed Fatima KC in the Privy Council)

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BB Energy (Gulf) DMCC v Al Amoudi & ors

Commercial Court, 2018-22

Acting for the Defendants in c.$122 million claims for fraudulent misrepresentation and unlawful means conspiracy, and other Moroccan law claims, arising out of the insolvency of a Moroccan oil and gas company alleged to have been unlawfully expropriated by the Moroccan State (with Andrew Scott KC)

[BVI Shareholder] v [BVI Shareholder]

LCIA Arbitration, 2019-21

Acting for the Respondents in a c.€100m dispute between shareholders of a mining company in Sub-Saharan Africa, and a claim against its director and shareholder under a guarantee (with Andrew Green KC and Peter Head).

Suppipat & ors v Narongdej & ors

Commercial Court, 2018-22; [2020] EWHC 3191 (Comm); [2020] Costs LR 1649

Acting for Claimants in a US$1-2 billion claim for a fraudulent conspiracy to deprive a Thai entrepreneur of a majority interest in the leading renewable energy company in Thailand, including applications for freezing injunctions, permission to serve out of the jurisdiction and other interim relief. The claim involves 17 defendants, parallel ICC arbitrations and ancillary proceedings in the BVI, Belize, Hong Kong and Singapore. The case is one of The Lawyer's Top 20 cases of 2022 (with Anthony Peto KC, Robert Howe KC, Victoria Windle, Peter Head and Shane Sibbel).

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Commercial Court, 2020-21

Acting for the claimant bank in a Part 8 claim for injunctive and other relief under s.25 of the Civil Jurisdiction and Judgments Act 1982 against two high-net worth Emirati individuals connected with the Abu Dhabi royal family, and with the collapse of NMC Healthcare group, a substantial UAE healthcare provider. The relief was obtained in support of substantive claims in UAE proceedings for c.£200 million (with Robert Anderson KC and Harry Adamson)

ED&F Man Capital Markets Ltd v Come Harvest Holdings Ltd & ors

Commercial Court, 2019-21

Acting for several Defendants to claims for over $280 million for fraudulent misrepresentation and unlawful means conspiracy, arising out of the alleged forgery of warehouse receipts relating to nickel traded in a series of transactions between entities in Singapore, Hong Kong, the UK and Australia (with Andrew Scott KC)

Bourlakova & ors v Bourlakov & ors

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Acting for the First Defendant in a $700m+ claim for deceit and unlawful means conspiracy and claims under Monegasque and Panamanian law (with Leona Powell)

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RentSmart Limited v The Carphone Warehouse Limited

Commercial Court, 2019-20

Acting for the Claimant financier in c.£20 million claims for breach by Carphone Warehouse of its obligations to market and use reasonable endeavours to promote certain finance products, and concerning the exercise of its contractual discretion in relation to the pricing of those products (with Robert Howe KC)

Vneshprombank LLC v Bedzhamov & ors

[2020] 1 All ER (Comm) 911 (CA)

Acting for the First Defendant in claims for £2.3 billion arising out of the collapse of a Russian bank, including by alleged misappropriation of funds by sham loans and transactions, and in various interlocutory applications and an appeal in relation to the appropriate living expenses allowance under a worldwide freezing order (with Robert Anderson KC, Tom Richards and Celia Rooney)

Ingenious Litigation

Business and Property Courts, 2018-20

Acting for a group of investors in a multi-million pound fraud claim against the promoters of the 'Ingenious Group' film and video game investment schemes and other intermediaries who recommended the schemes, following decisions of HMRC to deny c.£620m tax relief, upheld by the First-Tier Tribunal: see [2016] UKFTT 521 (TC), [2017] UKFTT 429 (TC). One of The Lawyer's Top 20 cases of 2018 and 2022 (with Robert Anderson KC and Tom Mountford).

[Finance company] v [Director]

2020-23

Advising a finance company on a c.$5m prospective claim for fraudulent misrepresentation and dishonest assistance in breach of trust, including for search and freezing orders (with Andrew Scott KC)

AXA SA v Genworth International Holdings Inc

Commercial Court, 2019

Advising AXA in connection with claims for c.£265 million under an SPA relating to historic PPI mis-selling from the vendor of subsidiary insurance businesses (with Andrew Green KC and Fraser Campbell)

Li v XiO Cayman Limited & ors

Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court, 2019

Acting for Defendants in a dispute concerning beneficial ownership of Cayman and Nevis investment funds valued at over $700 million, and the alleged misappropriation of $140 million. The dispute involved a parallel arbitration in Hong Kong, and proceedings in Nevis and the Cayman Islands (with Shaheed Fatima KC)

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Vodafone Ltd & ors v Ofcom

[2020] QB 200; [2020] QB 857 (CA)

Acting for Ofcom in four related Part 8 Claims, and appeals to the Court of Appeal, in respect of over £200 million in licence fees levied under regulations held to be ultra vires, concerning counterfactual defences to Woolwich claims in unjust enrichment (with Tom Weisselberg KC and Ajay Ratan).

Interest Rate Swaps Litigation

2019

Acting for UBS in connection with three New York class actions against 11 international investment banks alleged to have engaged in an antitrust conspiracy to restrict trading in the multi-trillion dollar interest rate swap market between 2008 and 2016, in applying for examination and production of documents from UK-based witnesses under s 2 of the Evidence (Proceedings in Other Jurisdictions) Act 1975 (with Andrew Hunter KC)

Hewlett Packard Enterprise Company & ors v Manchester Technologies Data (Holdings) Limited & ors

[2019] 1 WLR 5832; [2019] EWHC 2300 (Ch); [2019] EWHC 2301 (Ch)

Acting for Hewlett Packard in claims for trade mark infringement in relation to parallel imports, and inducing breach of contract and unlawful means conspiracy, including obtaining a search and disk imaging order in support of those claims (with Robert Howe KC)

Angel Group Ltd (in liq) & ors v McBrides Accountants LLP & ors

Business and Property Courts, 2017-19

Acting for the Claimant companies in claims against their former auditors and advisers for dishonest assistance in breach of trust, unlawful means conspiracy and professional negligence in connection with the declaration of a fraudulent £11m dividend and misappropriation of various properties in California, Cyprus and Israel by the companies' former director and ultimate beneficial owner (with Robert Anderson KC and Harry Adamson)

Angel Group Ltd (in liq) & ors v Davey

[2018] EWHC 1781 (Ch); [2019] WTLR 359

Acting for the Claimant companies (all in liquidation) in an £11m+ claim for fraudulent breach of fiduciary duty against their former director, fiduciary and ultimate shareholder. Successful at trial before Fancourt J, who found that the Defendant acted dishonestly by purporting to transfer to herself the beneficial interest in properties which she had held on trust for the Claimants, and awarded costs of the action on the indemnity basis. The matter raised questions regarding the scope of the Duomatic principle. Successfully opposed permission to appeal (with Robert Anderson KC and Harry Adamson).

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UKTV Media Ltd v Channel 4 Television Corporation

2019

Advising multichannel broadcaster UKTV (jointly owned by BBC Studios and Discovery Inc) in connection with its advertising arrangements with Channel 4 (with Ian Mill KC)

Foreign Exchange Benchmark Rates Antitrust Litigation

[2018] EWHC 2255 (QB)

Acting for the Respondent former Goldman Sachs senior executive in an application for examination under s 2 of the Evidence (Proceedings in Other Jurisdictions) Act 1975 in aid of a New York class action concerning the manipulation of the $5tn-per-day international FX market, brought against 16 international banks (15 of which settled for >$2.3bn) (with Andrew Hunter KC).

Libyan Investment Authority v Société Générale SA & ors

[2017] EWHC 2631 (Comm)

Applications arising out of a $1.5 billion lawsuit concerning fraud, intimidation and bribery in connection with transactions entered into by Libya's sovereign wealth fund under the Gaddafi regime. One of The Lawyer's Top 20 cases of 2017 (with Tom Richards).

[BVI Company] v [Russian individuals]

Business and Property Courts, 2017-18

Acting for the Claimant in claims for damages and an indemnity in respect of an LCIA award obtained by a fraudulent claim and leading false evidence, as part of a larger fraudulent scheme to deprive the claimant of the beneficial interest in highly valuable property in Moscow (with Tony Peto KC and Rob Weekes KC).

[Confidential] Defamation claim

2018

Acting unled for the Claimant in relation to prospective claims for defamation and malicious falsehood arising out of statements made on social media regarding allegations of serious and/or gang-related criminal activity in Vietnam.

HSBC Bank plc v Inman & anor

2017-18

Acting for the Defendant and Part 20 Claimant in claims between HSBC and alleged guarantors, raising issues of undue influence, fraudulent misrepresentation, unjust enrichment, and validity of execution under the Law of Property (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1989.

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Crown Bidco Ltd v Vertu Holdings Oy & ors

Commercial Court & Court of Appeal, 2016-17

€200 million claim for breach of warranties in the sale by Nokia Corporation of the 'Vertu' luxury mobile phones business and counterclaim for conspiracy to defraud; Appeal regarding costs thrown away and whether allegations of fraud went only to credit or had to be pleaded (assisting Andrew Green KC and Robert Weekes).

Russian fraud litigation

BVI Commercial Court, 2017

Acting for the Claimant in claims arising out of an elaborate fraudulent scheme to deprive its beneficial owner of highly valuable shares in a Russian company (with Tony Peto KC and Rob Weekes KC).

Renova Industries Ltd & ors v Emmerson International Corporation & ors

BVI Commercial Court, 2016-17

$800m+ claim in the BVI Commercial Court concerning a joint venture in relation to various power generation and distribution assets in Russia (assisting Pushpinder Saini KC and Robert Weekes).

Quantum Pharma Group Ltd & anor v Gould & anor

High Court, 2016-17

Claim for deceit and breach of warranty relating to a sale and purchase of a pharmaceutical company (assisting Robert Weekes).

PCP Capital Partners LLP & anor v Barclays Bank Plc

[2017] EWHC 175 (QB)

£700m claim for deceit against Barclays Bank Plc arising out of the Bank's recapitalisation at the height of the financial crisis in 2008 (assisting Robert Weekes).

Hutchison 3G UK Ltd v EE Ltd

Commercial Court, 2016-17

Claim by mobile network operator arising out of the provision of facilities for carrying 3G traffic, known as 'free carriers' (assisting Robert Weekes).

Civil Fraud, Asset Recovery & Injunctive Relief

Andrew is frequently instructed in high value multi-jurisdictional fraud disputes, including matters involving search orders, imaging orders and freezing orders in England and abroad, and committal for contempt.

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As a solicitor, Andrew acted for the Russian Federation in relation to the rigged loans-for-shares auctions of state-owned assets, and an African State in a dispute over bribery in public works. He also draws on his experience defending criminal fraud charges in Australia, including on behalf of a senior executive of the Reserve Bank of Australia charged with bribery of foreign officials, and a Victorian Senator called before a Royal Commission in connection with alleged misuse of funds.

Cases

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Commercial Bank of Dubai v Al Sari & ors

Commercial Court, 2022-25; [2022] EWHC 2697 (Comm); [2023] EWHC 1484 (Comm); [2023] EWHC 1797 (Comm); [2023] EWHC 2624 (Com

Lead Counsel (with Madelaine Clifford) in a 2-week trial for the successful claimants, the Commercial Bank of Dubai and certain SPVs, for final declaratory and injunctive relief to restrain the enforcement of a c.AED 582 million (c.£120 million) foreign judgment obtained by fraud. These long-running proceedings also concern claims against members of a wealthy Emirati family and others for an unlawful means conspiracy and other economic torts, and to enforce a foreign judgment in favour of the Bank for over £78 million. In the course of the proceedings Andrew has appeared at several substantial interlocutory disputes (led by Anthony Peto KC), including two worldwide freezing injunctions; orders for delivery up and imaging of computers, delivery up of luxury vehicles, and related Norwich Pharmacal relief against third parties; two jurisdiction challenges (including one heard with a strike out and other applications over 5 days and raising various novel points of law); two committal applications; and an appeal from a committal order.

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Acting (unled) for the claimant bringing applications arising out of a worldwide freezing order against the indirect majority owner and Managing Director of a major telecommunications company, in aid of the enforcement of a $1.6 billion arbitration award. The underlying claims, pursued in the DIFC courts and ICC arbitrations seated in the DIFC, concern an elaborate fraudulent scheme, amongst other things, to defraud the claimant of its investment by procuring decisions from local officials by bribery and corruption

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McAdam & ors v Dr Ruja Ignatova & ors

Commercial Court, 2023-24

Acting for a group of over 400 investors in the fraudulent cryptocurrency scheme "OneCoin" in claims against its fugitive founder Dr Ruja Ignatova and others involved in its promotion and/or laundering of the proceeds. The OneCoin scheme is estimated to have have been one of the largest frauds of all time, defrauding millions of investors worldwide of between $4 and $15 billion (with Anthony Peto KC and Carmine Conte)

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Acting for the Defendants in a $180 million claim in the Courts of the British Virgin Islands and the Dubai International Financial Centre concerning the enforcement of a Sharjah judgment, resisted on the basis that the Sharjah judgment was obtained by fraud. The proceedings have involved a jurisdiction challenge and application to discharge a worldwide freezing order in the DIFC on the basis of material non-disclosure. The WFO has been successfully discharged; the BVI enforcement proceedings are ongoing (with Anthony Peto KC)

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Angel Group Ltd (in liq) & ors v Davey

[2018] EWHC 1781 (Ch); [2019] WTLR 359

Acting for the Claimant companies (all in liquidation) in an £11m+ claim for fraudulent breach of fiduciary duty against their former director, fiduciary and ultimate shareholder. Successful at trial before Fancourt J, who found that the Defendant acted dishonestly by purporting to transfer to herself the beneficial interest in properties which she had held on trust for the Claimants, and awarded costs of the action on the indemnity basis. The matter raised questions regarding the scope of the Duomatic principle. Successfully opposed permission to appeal (with Robert Anderson KC and Harry Adamson).

Angel Group Ltd (in liq) & ors v McBrides Accountants LLP & ors

Business and Property Courts, 2017-19

Acting for the Claimant companies in claims against their former auditors and advisers for dishonest assistance in breach of trust, unlawful means conspiracy and professional negligence in connection with the declaration of a fraudulent £11m dividend and misappropriation of various properties in California, Cyprus and Israel by the companies' former director and ultimate beneficial owner (with Robert Anderson KC and Harry Adamson)

Bennett v Ahuja & anor

2019

Acting (as sole counsel) for the First Defendant to claims arising out of an alleged fraudulent conspiracy concerning the 'Rice Portrait', said to be a rare and valuable portrait of Jane Austen

Russian fraud litigation

BVI Commercial Court, 2017

Acting for the Claimant in claims arising out of an elaborate fraudulent scheme to deprive its beneficial owner of highly valuable shares in a Russian company (with Tony Peto KC and Rob Weekes KC).

Libyan Investment Authority v Société Générale SA & ors

[2017] EWHC 2631 (Comm)

Applications arising out of a $1.5 billion lawsuit concerning fraud, intimidation and bribery in connection with transactions entered into by Libya's sovereign wealth fund under the Gaddafi regime. One of The Lawyer's Top 20 cases of 2017 (with Tom Richards).

Hewlett Packard Enterprise Company & ors v Peter Sage & anor

[2017] EWHC 66 (QB); [2017] EWCA Civ 973; [2017] 1 WLR 4599

$17.5m claim for conspiracy to defraud arising out of contracts for the supply of computer servers; Mr Sage was committed to prison for 18 months for breaches of freezing and search orders, reduced to 12 months on appeal (assisting Anthony Peto KC and Robert Weekes).

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Madoff Litigation

Commercial Court, 2016-17

Proceedings arising out of the $64bn Ponzi scheme operated by Bernard Madoff (assisting Robert Weekes).

PCP Capital Partners LLP & anor v Barclays Bank Plc

[2017] EWHC 175 (QB)

£700m claim for deceit against Barclays Bank Plc arising out of the Bank's recapitalisation at the height of the financial crisis in 2008 (assisting Robert Weekes).

Arbitration

Andrew has worked on a number of arbitrations under the LCIA and ICC Rules. He has also been involved in the enforcement of arbitral awards and anti-suit and anti-enforcement injunctions in aid of arbitral proceedings.

His experience of international arbitration as a solicitor includes:

- acting for the Russian Federation resisting the enforcement of the $50bn Yukos Award;
- acting for a prospector in a $500m Kazakh oil & gas LCIA arbitration and related anti-suit proceedings;
- acting for the claimant in an ICC arbitration concerning a 6,000 ton/day acid plant in the Middle East;
- assisting an LCIA arbitrator in a dispute between Georgian oligarchs.

Cases

[Cayman private equity firm] v [Middle-Eastern technology company]

DIFC, 2025-26

Acting for the claimant / arbitration respondent in a claim to set aside a DIAC arbitral award, concerning a $500 million judgment obtained in a Gulf State against a sovereign defendant (with Anneliese Day KC)

[Cypriot Buyers] v [Asian Shipbuilder]

SIAC Arbitration, 2024-26

Assisting with expert evidence in relation to EU sanctions issues arising in $800 million SIAC shipping arbitration (with Brian Kennelly KC)

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[BVI Company] v [Asian businessman]

LCIA Arbitration, 2023-25

Acting for the claimant in an LCIA Arbitration against an Asian billionaire in respect of fees due for services in recovering family assets from a former asset manager, following a Swiss asset freeze imposed in light of bribery allegations (with Tom Weisselberg KC and Tom Richards KC)

[European commodities firm] v [African state]

LCIA & ICSID Arbitrations, 2024-25

Advising a European commodities trading group in a dispute against an African State concerning very substantial losses arising from changes in tax treatment over a 20-year period (with Tim Otty KC)

[Trustee] v [Russian Bank]

LCIA Arbitration, 2024

Advising a litigation funder as to contractual and sanctions issues arising in connection with a $500 million+ claim by a trustee on behalf of noteholders against a Russian bank (with Michael Bloch KC)

[Re offshore investment funds]

LCIA Arbitration, 2022-23

These LCIA proceedings in respect of substantial wealth management fees form part of a broader commercial dispute arising out of the investment of approx $500 million in offshore funds. The wider dispute involves a further LCIA arbitration, Commercial Court proceedings in England, and winding up petitions brought by receivers of the nominee investor in the BVI and Cayman Islands. The claims each raise issues of serious misconduct, including conspiracy, breach of fiduciary duties and fraudulent misrepresentation and involve claims for hundreds of millions of dollars. They have involved several ex parte applications, the appointment of receivers and joint provisional liquidators, and privilege disputes and injunctions (with Michael Bloch KC, Andrew Hunter KC, Tom Weisselberg KC, Victoria Windle KC, Tom Richards KC, Tom Mountford, Timothy Lau, Marlena Valles and Ava Mayer)

[BVI Shareholder] v [BVI Shareholder]

LCIA Arbitration, 2019-21

Acting for the Respondents in a c.€100m dispute between shareholders of a mining company in Sub-Saharan Africa, and a claim against its director and shareholder under a guarantee (with Andrew Green KC and Peter Head).

[BVI Company] v [Russian individuals]

Business and Property Courts, 2017-18

Acting for the Claimant in claims for damages and an indemnity in respect of an LCIA award obtained by a fraudulent claim and leading false evidence, as part of a larger fraudulent scheme to deprive the claimant of the beneficial interest in highly valuable property in Moscow (with Tony Peto KC and Rob Weekes KC).

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[International Banks] v [International Banks]

LCIA Arbitration, 2017

Claim concerning subordinated loans alleged to have been extinguished by operation of Russian law (assisting Andrew Green KC and Robert Weekes).

Offshore

Andrew has been instructed in substantial commercial disputes in the Cayman Islands, the BVI, the Isle of Man, and the Courts of the Dubai International Financial Centre. He is frequently involved in cross-border litigation involving parallel proceedings in various offshore jurisdictions. He has full rights of audience before the DIFC Courts.

"Andrew's drafting ability is first class. He is extremely proficient at preparing proceedings and legal submissions in complex commercial matters."

— LEGAL 500, 2026

Cases

[Cayman private equity firm] v [Middle-Eastern technology company]

DIFC, 2025-26

Acting for the claimant / arbitration respondent in a claim to set aside a DIAC arbitral award, concerning a $500 million judgment obtained in a Gulf State against a sovereign defendant (with Anneliese Day KC)

Kahlon v Liberty Steel Group Ltd & ors

DIFC, 2024-26

Lead Counsel for DIFC and DMCC companies in the Liberty Steel Group in claims brought by a former CEO for $32 million, an unquantified loss of opportunity and aggravated damages, arising out of alleged breaches of contract under DIFC or onshore UAE law (with Grant Kynaston and Tom Watret)

Credit Suisse London Nominees v LV II Investment Management Limited

Grand Court of the Cayman Islands, 2023-24

Acting for the respondent to a creditor's winding up petition, in a dispute concerns whether the respondent should be wound up despite its $50m+ cross-claim in Switzerland under Swiss law in light of the decisions in Re Bayoil [1999] 1 WLR 147 and King v Bar Mutual Indemnity Fund [2023] EWHC 1408. Also acting in related parallel proceedings concerning a claim for declaratory relief in aid of the Swiss proceedings, a jurisdiction challenge in that claim, an application for a stay of execution pending resolution of the Swiss cross-claim, and associated appeals (with Tom Richards KC)

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[Joint Venture Vehicle] v [Middle-Eastern Telecom Company]

DIFC, 2023-25

Acting (unled) for the claimant bringing applications arising out of a worldwide freezing order against the indirect majority owner and Managing Director of a major telecommunications company, in aid of the enforcement of a $1.6 billion arbitration award. The underlying claims, pursued in the DIFC courts and ICC arbitrations seated in the DIFC, concern an elaborate fraudulent scheme, amongst other things, to defraud the claimant of its investment by procuring decisions from local officials by bribery and corruption

Globe Investment Holdings Limited v Horton Holding Limited & ors

DIFC 2023; BVI 2023-25

Acting for the Defendants in a $180 million claim in the Courts of the British Virgin Islands and the Dubai International Financial Centre concerning the enforcement of a Sharjah judgment, resisted on the basis that the Sharjah judgment was obtained by fraud. The proceedings have involved a jurisdiction challenge and application to discharge a worldwide freezing order in the DIFC on the basis of material non-disclosure. The WFO has been successfully discharged; the BVI enforcement proceedings are ongoing (with Anthony Peto KC)

NMH & Anor v PWT & Anor

BVI, 2024-26

Acting for the Claimants in claims to enforce a $1bn+ ICC arbitral award against the defendant's $100m+ interest in an oil company operating across the Middle East and North Africa. The matter involves disputes over beneficial ownership and Middle Eastern banking practices, challenges to a charging order and proprietary freezing orders, and a jurisdiction challenge (led by Ben Valentin KC)

Credit Suisse London Nominees Ltd v Principal Investing Fund I Ltd & ors

Cayman & BVI, 2022-24

Acting for management shareholders in parallel proceedings in the Cayman Islands and BVI resisting winding up petitions brought on just and equitable grounds against three investment fund companies. The petitioners contend that serious misconduct (including misuse of assets, fraud and charging of unlawful fees) occurred in relation to four funds in which in excess of $500 million have been invested. The case has also involved various interlocutory applications including pending heavy applications for the discharge of provisional liquidators and Court-appointed receivers over shares in the funds. The litigation involves parallel proceedings in England and LCIA arbitration. The six-week trial in the Cayman Islands was held in the Cayman Islands in 2023 (with Michael Bloch KC, Andrew Hunter KC, Tom Weisselberg KC, Victoria Windle KC, Tom Richards KC, Tom Mountford, Timothy Lau, Marlena Valles and Ava Mayer)

[Re offshore gas project]

2024

Acting for an oil and gas major in relation to a prospective dispute concerning a $2bn+ offshore gas project

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Wang v Real Assets (RA) Global Opportunity Fund I Limited

BVI, 2023

Acting for the second defendant seeking to intervene to oppose a claim by the purported ultimate beneficial owner of shares in a £200 million fund to rectify the shareholder register; the claim is part of wider cross-border litigation between the investor and fund manager (with Andrew Hunter KC and Marlena Valles)

Hermitage One Limited v Heda Airlines Limited

Isle of Man High Court, 2020-21; Staff of Government Division 2021; Privy Council 2022

Advising the Defendant to a $16 million claim in respect of the refinancing of a private jet, arising in the context of the high-profile divorce of a Russian businessman; successful at trial and on appeal in the Isle of Man, and in resisting permission to appeal to the Privy Council (as sole English counsel assisting Manx advocate at trial and on appeal; with Shaheed Fatima KC in the Privy Council)

Li v XiO Cayman Limited & ors

Eastern Caribbean Supreme Court, 2019

Acting for Defendants in a dispute concerning beneficial ownership of Cayman and Nevis investment funds valued at over $700 million, and the alleged misappropriation of $140 million. The dispute involved a parallel arbitration in Hong Kong, and proceedings in Nevis and the Cayman Islands (with Shaheed Fatima KC)

Renova Industries Ltd & ors v Emmerson International Corporation & ors

BVI Commercial Court, 2016-17

$800m+ claim in the BVI Commercial Court concerning a joint venture in relation to various power generation and distribution assets in Russia (assisting Pushpinder Saini KC and Robert Weekes).

Company

Andrew has experience in acting in matters raising issues of company law, including in winding up and unfair prejudice petitions. Before coming to the bar, he tutored in company law at the Australian National University

Cases

Wang v Real Assets (RA) Global Opportunity Fund I Limited

BVI, 2023

Acting for the second defendant seeking to intervene to oppose a claim by the purported ultimate beneficial owner of shares in a £200 million fund to rectify the shareholder register; the claim is part of wider cross-border litigation between the investor and fund manager (with Andrew Hunter KC and Marlena Valles)

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Koza Limited & anor v Koza Altın letmeleri A & Ors

[2021] EWHC 2131 (Ch); [2022] 2 B.C.L.C. 213; [2021] EWHC 2471 (Ch); [2022] Costs L.R. 377; [2022] EWCA Civ 1284; [2023] 2 WLUK 543 (U

Acting for an English mining company and its director in a dispute over the authority of purported representatives of its Turkish parent company, following the alleged expropriation of Turkish companies worth c.$5-6bn by the Turkish State. Acted in various interlocutory applications including for service out of the jurisdiction and injunctive relief in relation to a substantial North American mining project. The case raises issues of company law, recognition of foreign judgments, and the indirect enforcement of foreign penal laws (with Michael Bloch KC and Andrew Scott KC)

Credit Suisse London Nominees Ltd v Principal Investing Fund I Ltd & ors

Cayman & BVI, 2022-24

Acting for management shareholders in parallel proceedings in the Cayman Islands and BVI resisting winding up petitions brought on just and equitable grounds against three investment fund companies. The petitioners contend that serious misconduct (including misuse of assets, fraud and charging of unlawful fees) occurred in relation to four funds in which in excess of $500 million have been invested. The case has also involved various interlocutory applications including pending heavy applications for the discharge of provisional liquidators and Court-appointed receivers over shares in the funds. The litigation involves parallel proceedings in England and LCIA arbitration. The six-week trial in the Cayman Islands was held in the Cayman Islands in 2023 (with Michael Bloch KC, Andrew Hunter KC, Tom Weisselberg KC, Victoria Windle KC, Tom Richards KC, Tom Mountford, Timothy Lau, Marlena Valles and Ava Mayer)

In re Witanhurst Construction Management Limited

Chancery Division, 2021-22

Acting for the Defendants to an unfair prejudice petition arising out of the redevelopment of Witanhurst Mansion, a 1930s Georgian Revival mansion, the second-largest private residence in London after Buckingham Palace (with Andreas Gledhill KC)

Angel Group Ltd (in liq) & ors v Davey

[2018] EWHC 1781 (Ch); [2019] WTLR 359

Acting for the Claimant companies (all in liquidation) in an £11m+ claim for fraudulent breach of fiduciary duty against their former director. The matter raised questions regarding the scope of the Duomatic principle. Successful at trial before Fancourt J, and in opposing permission to appeal (with Robert Anderson KC and Harry Adamson).

Sanctions

Andrew has experience advising designated persons, banks and trading companies on the impact of financial and trade sanctions under the UK and EU Russian sanctions regimes.

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Cases

[Cypriot Buyers] v [Asian Shipbuilder]

SIAC Arbitration, 2024-26

Assisting with expert evidence in relation to EU sanctions issues arising in $800 million SIAC shipping arbitration (with Brian Kennelly KC)

[Russian politician]

2024-25

Advising on sanctions issues arising out of a claim before the Moscow City Arbitrazh Court by the receiver in bankruptcy of a Russian politician, for the benefit of sanctioned Russian creditors (with Brian Kennelly KC)

[Oil and gas company] v [Insurers]

LCIA Arbitration, 2024

Advising a subsidiary of a US oil and gas company on sanctions issues arising out of a $10 million LCIA insurance arbitration following the loss of equipment on a Russian oil project (with Brian Kennelly KC)

[US payment services company] v [Russian bank]

2024

Advising on sanctions issues arising from arbitral proceedings between a US payment services firm and a sanctioned Russian bank

[Trustee] v [Russian Bank]

LCIA Arbitration, 2024

Advising a litigation funder as to contractual and sanctions issues arising in connection with a $500 million+ claim by a trustee on behalf of noteholders against a Russian bank (with Michael Bloch KC)

Dubai Aerospace Enterprise (DAE) Ltd & ors v Insurers

Commercial Court, 2023

Advising on sanctions issues arising in the well-known Russian Aircraft insurance litigation, concerning foreign-owned aircraft in Russia with market value of just under $1 billion. One of The Lawyer's top 20 cases of 2024 (with Brian Kennelly KC)

[Russian manufacturing business]

2022-23

Advising a manufacturing business designated under the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulation 2019 regarding the implication of financial sanctions in connection with a prospective $1bn+ transaction (with Brian Kennelly KC)

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[Russian businessman]

2022

Advising a Russian businessman regarding financial planning issues arising in connection with the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulation 2019 (with Brian Kennelly KC)

[Dutch bank]

2022

Advising a Dutch bank on the effect of trade sanctions on its relationship with a state-owned Russian shipping company (with Brian Kennelly KC)

[Commodity company]

2022

Advising an international commodity trading and mining conglomerate regarding its relationships with Russian firms and issues arising as a result of trade sanctions imposed on Russia (with Brian Kennelly KC)

Competition

Andrew accepts instructions in all areas of EU and competition law. He is presently instructed as junior counsel in the Trucks Cartel Litigation, which is amongst the largest ongoing competition litigation.

Cases

Trucks Cartel Litigation

CAT, 2018-26

Representing Scania in relation to UK litigation arising from the Commission's decisions relating to the alleged trucks cartel, encompassing High Court and CAT proceedings, including CPO applications. With claims up to £14.2bn, this is the largest competition litigation currently before the CAT, and was one of The Lawyer's top 20 cases for 2019 (with Brian Kennelly KC, Jason Pobjoy KC, Rayan Fakhoury and Rowan Stennett).

Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation v Barclays Bank plc & ors

Chancery Division, 2021-25

Acting for UBS in a claim brought by FDIC (as receiver for failed US depositary institutions) against several major international banks, relating to the alleged manipulation between 2007 and 2009 of the USD LIBOR benchmark interest rate. The claims involve parallel proceedings before the US District Court for the Southern District of New York (with Brian Kennelly KC, Paul Luckhurst and Grant Kynaston)

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Vauxhall Motors Ltd & ors v Denso Automotive UK Ltd & ors

[2025] EWHC 213 (Ch)

Acting for the Valeo Defendants in their jurisdiction challenges in these standalone competition law proceedings concerning an alleged cartel in Thermal System Components in the EEA and Brazil from 1999 to 2011, said to have affected a value of commerce as high as €20 billion and to have caused loss to various automobile manufacturers (with Brian Kennelly KC)

[Confidential Asian State]

2021

Advising an Asian State regarding competition issues arising in respect of the allocation of its natural resources (with Brian Kennelly KC)

Iiyama Benelux BV & ors v Samsung SDI Co Ltd & ors

Chancery Division, 2019-20

Acting for a Defendant to claims for over €660 million arising out of an alleged price fixing cartel in relation to colour display tubes used in computer monitors between 1996 and 2006 (with Brian Kennelly KC and Andrew Scott)

Personnel Hygiene Services Ltd v CMA

CAT, 2019

Acting for the Applicant in a challenge to final undertakings accepted by the CMA for the purposes of remedying a substantial lessening of competition in washroom supply services (with Brian Kennelly KC)

Gibson v Pride Mobility Products Ltd

[2017] 4 CMLR 33; [2017] CAT 9

The first proposed opt-out class action in the UK concerning infringements of competition law in the sale of mobility scooters (assisting Thomas de la Mare KC, Tristan Jones and Daniel Cashman).

UKRS Training Limited v NSAR Limited

[2017] CAT 14; [2017] Comp AR 368

Trial of preliminary issue as to whether a railway training accreditation body is an "undertaking" for the purposes of s 18 of the Competition Act 1998 (assisting Tristan Jones).

Peugeot SA & ors v NSK Ltd & ors

Competition Appeal Tribunal, 2016-17

Follow-on damages claim by purchasers of automobile bearings after the European Commission imposed a €953 million fine in respect of a 7-year cartel (assisting Thomas de la Mare KC and Tristan Jones).

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Group Litigation

Andrew has acted on the claimant and defendant side of group litigation, including substantial third party funded litigation in the Chancery and Queen's Bench Divisions and in the Competition Appeal Tribunal.

Cases

[Asian mining company]

2025-26

Advising Asian mining companies and their Western parent entities regarding security operations between private providers and local police, and exposure to group claims, including jurisdiction and other conflict of laws issues (with Shaheed Fatima KC)

[Group claimants] v [Technology conglomerate]

High Court, 2022-23

Advising a well-known technology company in respect of threatened group litigation arising out of events occurring in Asia, including in respect of jurisdiction and applicable law issues (with Shaheed Fatima KC)

AAA (as administrator of estate of ZZZ) & ors v London Bullion Market Association

2022-24

Acting for the London Bullion Market Association in a jurisdiction challenge in respect of claims by Tanzanian nationals arising out of incidents at the North Mara Gold Mine in Tanzania (with Andrew Scott KC)

[Group claimants] v [Mining company]

High Court, 2021–23

Acting for a foreign mining company in disputing the jurisdiction of the English Court to hear group claims brought against it, raising issues of forum conveniens and the availability of substantial justice in another jurisdiction (with Shaheed Fatima KC)

Trucks Cartel Litigation

CAT, 2018-26

Representing Scania in relation to UK litigation arising from the Commission's decisions relating to the alleged trucks cartel, encompassing High Court and CAT proceedings, including CPO applications. With claims up to £14.2bn, this is the largest competition litigation currently before the CAT, and was one of The Lawyer's top 20 cases for 2019 (with Brian Kennelly KC, Jason Pobjoy KC, Rayan Fakhoury and Rowan Stennett).

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Claimants in the Royal Mail Group Litigation v Royal Mail Group Limited

Supreme Court, 2021-23

Acting for Royal Mail in a Supreme Court appeal arising out of group litigation comprising hundreds of claims worth c.£500 million. The claims concern VAT chargeable on postal services since the UK's entry into the EU in the 1970s. The appeal to the Supreme Court is against a decision on preliminary issues ([2021] EWCA Civ 1173) concerning the application of limitation periods by analogy to a claim for an injunction under s.36(1) of the Limitation Act 1980 (with Javan Herberg KC and Emily Neill)

Ingenious Litigation

Business and Property Courts, 2018-20

Acting for a group of investors in a multi-million pound fraud claim against the promoters of the 'Ingenious Group' film and video game investment schemes and other intermediaries who recommended the schemes, following decisions of HMRC to deny c.£620m tax relief, upheld by the First-Tier Tribunal: see [2016] UKFTT 521 (TC), [2017] UKFTT 429 (TC). One of The Lawyer's Top 20 cases of 2018 and 2022 (with Robert Anderson KC and Tom Mountford).

Private International Law

Many of the matters on which Andrew has worked involve cross-border disputes that raise questions of applicable law and jurisdiction, and recognition and enforcement of foreign judgments. Before coming to the Bar, Andrew's practice as a commercial solicitor consisted predominantly of international arbitration which often raised questions of private international law.

Cases

BHP Group (UK) Ltd & anor v Pogust Goodhead

[2025] EWHC 3153 (TCC)

Acting for BHP in a dispute with Pogust Goodhead, the law firm representing the claimants in the £36 billion claim arising out of the Fundão Dam collapse, and threatening a £1.3 billion claim in its own right for alleged interference with its relationship with its clients through settlement schemes in Brazil (for unlawful means conspiracy, inducing breach of contract, and a solicitor's equitable lien). These anti-suit proceedings concerned Pogust Goodhead's use of U.S. discovery to depose a witness in relation to that potential claim (with Andrew Scott KC)

[Cayman private equity firm] v [Middle-Eastern technology company]

DIFC, 2025-26

Acting for the claimant / arbitration respondent in a claim to set aside a DIAC arbitral award, concerning a $500 million judgment obtained in a Gulf State against a sovereign defendant (with Anneliese Day KC)

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NMH & Anor v PWT & Anor

BVI, 2024-26

Acting for the Claimants in a jurisdiction challenge before the BVI Commercial Court in a dispute over beneficial ownership of a $100m+ interest in an oil company operating across the Middle East and North Africa. The case forms part of wider multi-jurisdictional efforts to enforce a $1bn+ arbitral award against assets of a member of the ruling family of Kurdistan (led by Ben Valentin KC)

[European technology conglomerate] v [Australian construction firm]

2024–25

Acting for the Defendants to a threatened $30 million claim arising out of the divestment of UAE businesses, raising complex issues of jurisdiction and governing law (with Ben Valentin KC)

Vauxhall Motors Ltd & ors v Denso Automotive UK Ltd & ors

[2025] EWHC 213 (Ch)

Acting for the Valeo Defendants in their jurisdiction challenges in these standalone competition law proceedings concerning an alleged cartel in Thermal System Components in the EEA and Brazil from 1999 to 2011, said to have affected a value of commerce as high as €20 billion and to have caused loss to various automobile manufacturers (with Brian Kennelly KC)

Sunny Day Limited & anor v Shivdasani & ors

Commercial Court, 2023-25

Acting for a Russian investor and BVI vehicle in a multimillion dollar claim against the founder of the Soneva chain of resorts in respect of a failed investment scheme in Thailand. The claims involve a pending jurisdiction dispute and claims under s.423 of the Insolvency Act 1986 (with Tony Peto KC)

AAA (as administrator of estate of ZZZ) & ors v London Bullion Market Association

2022-24

Acting for the London Bullion Market Association in a jurisdiction challenge in respect of claims by Tanzanian nationals arising out of incidents at the North Mara Gold Mine in Tanzania (with Andrew Scott KC)

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Commercial Bank of Dubai v Al Sari & ors

Commercial Court, 2022-25; [2023] EWHC 1797 (Comm); [2024] EWHC 3304 (Comm); [2025] EWHC 1810 (Comm)

Lead Counsel (with Madelaine Clifford) in a 2-week trial for the successful claimants, the Commercial Bank of Dubai and certain SPVs, concerning the recognition and enforcement of a foreign judgment for c.AED 582 million (c.£120 million). The trial concerned novel questions regarding the rule in House of Spring Gardens v Waite (No 2) [1991] 1 QB 241 and anti-enforcement relief. These parallel proceedings across the England, DIFC and BVI have raised various complex issues of private international law across two jurisdiction challenges in England and one in the DIFC (in each case led by Anthony Peto KC). Those issues include jurisdictional gateways, applicable law under the Rome II Regulation, double actionability, service out on Chabra defendants, the application of the default rule / presumption of similarity under Dicey Rule 2, and forum conveniens.

Sayn-Wittgenstein-Sayn v Juan Carlos I (former King of Spain)

[2023] EWHC 2478 (KB)

Acting for the claimant in a jurisdiction dispute in respect of her claim against the former King of Spain for harassment in connection with a €65 million payment, raising issues under the Brussels Recast Regulation and of state immunity (assisting Andrew Green KC)

Globe Investment Holdings Limited v Horton Holding Limited & ors

DIFC 2023; BVI 2023-25

Acting for the Defendants in a $180 million claim in the Courts of the British Virgin Islands and the Dubai International Financial Centre concerning the enforcement of a Sharjah judgment, resisted on the basis that the Sharjah judgment was obtained by fraud. The proceedings have involved a jurisdiction challenge in the DIFC, leading to the discharge of a worldwide freezing order granted there in respect of properties in London (with Anthony Peto KC)

[Group claimants] v [Technology conglomerate]

High Court, 2022-23

Advising a well-known technology company in respect of threatened group litigation arising out of events occurring in Asia, including in respect of jurisdiction and applicable law issues (with Shaheed Fatima KC)

Bourlakova & ors v Bourlakov & ors

Chancery Division, 2020-21

Acting for the First Defendant in a jurisdiction challenge in respect of a $700m+ claim for deceit and unlawful means conspiracy and claims under Monegasque and Panamanian law. The claims arose in the context of litigation comprising several related civil, criminal and matrimonial proceedings in Monaco, Switzerland, Cyprus, Panama, Russia, France, and the Isle of Man (with Leona Powell)

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Koza Limited & anor v Koza Altın letmeleri A & Ors

[2021] EWHC 2131 (Ch); [2022] 2 B.C.L.C. 213; [2021] EWHC 2471 (Ch); [2022] Costs L.R. 377; [2022] EWCA Civ 1284; [2023] 2 WLUK 543 (U

Acting for the Claimants, an English mining company and its director, in a dispute over the recognition of an allegedly corrupt Turkish judgment. The Turkish judgment appointed 'trustees' to Turkish companies considered to be affiliated with Hizmet, which was declared a terrorist organisation by the Erdoan Regime following an attempted coup d'état in Turkey in 2016. It is alleged to have been given corruptly and as part of a campaign by the Turkish state to seize control of the Koza-Ipek group. The dispute concerns whether the English court should therefore decline to recognise the judgment, and accordingly the authority of the 'trustees', as contrary to English public policy and ECHR rights. The case also raises issues of jurisdiction, the indirect enforcement of foreign penal laws, and issues of English company law (with Michael Bloch KC and Andrew Scott KC).

Public Institution for Social Security of Kuwait v Al Rajaan & Ors

Commercial Court, 2020-24

Acting for the 20th defendant to a claim by the Public Institution for Social Security of Kuwait in respect of bribes exceeding US$840 million alleged to have been paid by various financial institutions and intermediaries. The case raises issues of the applicable law under the common law rules, PILA 1995 and the Rome II Regulation over a 20-year period, and whether the claims under Kuwaiti statutory provisions amount to an impermissible attempt by an emanation of the Kuwaiti State to enforce its penal and/or public laws in England. The case was featured as one of The Lawyer's Top 20 cases of 2020 and 2025 (led variously by Robert Anderson KC and Harry Matovu KC).

BB Energy (Gulf) DMCC v Al Amoudi & ors

Commercial Court, 2018-22

Acting for the Defendants to claims for $122 million framed under Moroccan and Greek law, including disputes as to the applicable law under the Rome II Regulation, including on an application for a Letter of Request to the Moroccan authorities (with Andrew Scott KC)

Suppipat & ors v Narongdej & ors

Commercial Court, 2018-22; [2020] EWHC 3191 (Comm); [2020] Costs LR 1649

Acting for Claimants in a US$1-2 billion fraud claim, including obtaining permission for service on 17 defendants in six jurisdictions, supported by expert evidence of several foreign laws and of the risk that justice could not be obtained in Thailand. The claimants include a Thai entrepreneur forced to flee Thailand and charged with lèse-majesté (defaming or insulting the King, Queen or Heir-Apparent), and the parties to the alleged fraudulent conspiracy include the Siam Commercial Bank, which is part-owned by the King of Thailand personally. The dispute involves three parallel ICC arbitrations, ancillary proceedings in the BVI, Belize, Hong Kong, Singapore, and related civil and criminal proceedings in Thailand. The case was one of The Lawyer's Top 20 cases of 2022 (with Anthony Peto KC, Robert Howe KC, Victoria Windle, Peter Head and Shane Sibbel).

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Crossborder fraud claim

2017-18

Advising the Claimant on questions of jurisdiction, forum non conveniens, choice of law and limitation in a prospective $200m+ fraud claim in the BVI, involving prospective defendants in Russia and Estonia (with Tony Peto KC and Rob Weekes KC).

Trucks Cartel Litigation

CAT, 2018-26

Representing Scania in relation to UK litigation arising from the Commission's decisions relating to the alleged trucks cartel, including questions of applicable law and foreign law limitation periods (with Brian Kennelly KC, Jason Pobjoy KC, Rayan Fakhoury and Rowan Stennett).

Iiyama Benelux BV & ors v Samsung SDI Co Ltd & ors

Chancery Division, 2019

Acting for a Defendant to claims for over €660 million arising out of an alleged price fixing cartel in relation to colour display tubes used in computer monitors between 1996 and 2006, including disputes regarding applicable law and foreign law limitation defences to contribution claims (with Brian Kennelly KC and Andrew Scott)

[International Banks] v [International Banks]

LCIA Arbitration, 2017

Claim concerning subordinated loans alleged to have been extinguished by operation of Russian law (assisting Andrew Green KC and Robert Weekes).

Belhaj & ors v Straw & ors

[2017] UKSC 3; [2017] 2 WLR 456

Claims by Libyan/Moroccan family against MI5 and MI6 for complicity in their unlawful abduction in Thailand, rendition to Libya, detention and torture. The claims raised issues of foreign law, including reliance on the default rule or presumption of similarity in Dicey Rule 2 (then Rule 25(2)) (assisting Ben Jaffey KC).

Renova Industries Ltd & ors v Emmerson International Corporation & ors

BVI Commercial Court, 2016-17

$800m+ claim in the BVI Commercial Court concerning a joint venture in relation to various power generation and distribution assets in Russia (assisting Pushpinder Saini KC and Robert Weekes).

Public International Law

Andrew has been instructed in cases raising issues of public international law, including state and diplomatic immunity.

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Cases

[European commodities firm] v [African state]

LCIA & ICSID Arbitrations, 2024-25

Advising a European commodities trading group in a dispute against an African State concerning very substantial losses arising from changes in tax treatment over a 20-year period (with Tim Otty KC)

Sayn-Wittgenstein-Sayn v Juan Carlos I (former King of Spain)

[2023] EWHC 2478 (KB)

Acting for the claimant in a jurisdiction dispute in respect of her claim against the former King of Spain for harassment in connection with a €65 million payment, raising issues under the Brussels Recast Regulation and of state immunity (assisting Andrew Green KC)

Shehabi & anor v The Kingdom of Bahrain

QBD, 2021-22

Acting for the Kingdom of Bahrain in disputing the jurisdiction of the English Court including on the basis of state immunity in respect of a claim brought by two political activists who claim to have been the subject of attacks using surveillance software (with Shaheed Fatima KC)

Re: UBS

Paris Court of Appeal, 2019-22

Advising UBS and its French subsidiary on questions of EU law and banking secrecy arising in connection with its appeal against fines totalling over €4.5 billion imposed by the Paris Tribunal de grande instance for illegally soliciting French clients and laundering the proceeds of tax fraud. The appeal raises an issue concerning the effect of international agreements between Switzerland, France and the EU on the prosecution of Swiss banks by French authorities (with Brian Kennelly KC)

Reyes v Al-Malki & anor

[2017] UKSC 61; [2017] 3 WLR 923

Claim by domestic worker found to be a victim of people trafficking against Saudi diplomatic agent and his wife for race discrimination and unlawful deductions from wages, raising questions of the scope of diplomatic immunity (assisting Ben Jaffey KC).

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ACHIEVEMENTS

Education

BA (Dist, top of year) (QUT); LLB (First Class, 2nd in year) (QUT); Diplôme d'université avancé d'études françaises (mention très bien) (Université de Besançon); GDLP (ANU); BCL (Dist) (Oxon)

Scholarships

- Phoenicia Scholarship (2017)
- Rhodes Scholarship (2014-15)
- UMAP Scholarship (2011)
- Vice-Chancellor's Scholarship (2005-09)
- JASSO Scholarship (2007)

Prizes & Awards

- Peter Birks Prize for Restitution of Unjust Enrichment (2015)
- University Medal (2011)
- Tom Cain Trophy for Outstanding Achievement (2011)
- Tom Cain Trophy for Best Mooter (2011)
- Best Trial Lawyer & Best Oralist on 1st day, ICC Trial Competition (2011)
- Golden Key Asia-Pacific Outstanding Achievement Award (2010)
- Grand Finalist, Oxford Intellectual Property Moot (2010)
- Winner & Best Oralist, QUT Senior Moot (2010)
- Top mark in Administrative Law (2010)
- Top mark in Intellectual Property (2009)
- Top mark in Criminal Law I at Meijo University, Japan (2007)
- Winner & Best Oralist, QUT Intellectual Property Moot (2006)
- Winner & Best Oralist, QUT Torts Moot (2006)
- Dean's Humanities & Human Services Academic Merit List (2005 & 2006)
- Prime Minister's Australian Students Prize (2004)
- Japanese Language Proficiency Test, Level 1 () (2004)

Publications

- "Mistakes and Mispredictions" (2021) 137 Law Quarterly Review 212
- "Reconsidering Transferred Loss" (2019) 82 Modern Law Review 727
- "Lessons from History in Dealing with our Most Dangerous" (2018) 41 UNSW Law Journal 319 (with H Hobbs)
- "The Double Ceiling on Unjust Enrichment: Old Solutions for Old Problems" (2017) 76 Cambridge Law Journal 168
- "The Constitutional Conventions and Constitutional Change: Making Sense of Multiple Intentions" (2017) 38 Adelaide Law Review 49 (with H Hobbs)

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- "Provisional Release in International Trials" (Chapter II) in R Mulgrew & D Abels (eds), Research Handbook on the International Penal System (Elgar Publishing, 2016) 23
- "Under the Oak Tree: Institutional Reform in the Deep North" (2014) 88 Australian Law Journal 335 (with H Hobbs)
- "The Great Leap Backwards: Criminal Law Reform with the Hon Jarrod Bleijie" (2014) 36 Sydney Law Review 1 (with H Hobbs)
- "A Historical Perspective on Juvenile Justice Reform in Queensland" (2014) 38 Criminal Law Journal 77 (with H Hobbs)
- "How Far Have We Really Come? Civil and Political Rights in Queensland" (2013) 25 Bond Law Review 166 (with H Hobbs)
- "Pre-Conviction Detention in International Criminal Trials" (2013) 11 Journal of International Criminal Justice 351 (Oxford University Press)
- "Constitutional Interpretation and Fiscal Imbalance" [2013] 2 ALSA Reporter 42
- "Mandatory Sentencing for People Smuggling: Issues of Law and Policy" (2012) 36 Melbourne University Law Review 553 (with M Garozzo)
- "Witness Intimidation at the ad hoc Tribunals: Balancing the Need for Protection against the Rights of the Accused" (2012) 44 George Washington International Law Review 521
- "Enforcement Costs: Some Humanitarian Alternatives to Stronger Patent Rights" (2012) 80 Medico-Legal Journal 22 (Royal Society of Medicine Press)
- "Innocence, Liberty and Provisional Release at the ICTY: A Post-Mortem of 'Compelling Humanitarian Grounds' in Context" (2012) 12 Human Rights Law Review 353 (Oxford University Press)
- "Book Review: Electronic Information and the Law" (2012) 32 Queensland Lawyer 165
- "Of Aggression and Diplomacy: The Security Council, the ICC and Jus ad Bellum" (2011) 18 New England Journal of International & Comparative Law 351
- "A Dose of Humanity: Pharmaceutical Patents and the Developing World" (Chapter IV) in J Fong (ed), Intellectual Property Law and Management (Angle Publishing, 2011) 97 (with M O'Gorman & T Lin)
- "Statutory Damages in Copyright" (2010) 21 Australian Intellectual Property Journal 219

Andrew has also held research roles at, and contributed to publications by, the Australian Law Reform Commission; the Queensland Law Reform Commission; the South Asia Human Rights Documentation Centre in New Delhi; and Amnesty International.

Other relevant experience

In 2011, Andrew assisted the judges of Trial Chamber I in the trials of General Ratko Mladić, Jovica Stanišić and Franko Simatović at the ICTY in The Hague; and the Co-Prosecutors at the ECCC in Cambodia in the largest war crimes trial since WWII.

He has volunteered at the Caxton Community Legal Centre, Homeless Persons' Legal Clinic and Citizens' Advice Bureau.

Andrew maintained a practice as a Japanese-English translator primarily of patents and related materials for 8 years from 2008-15.

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