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Kieran Bailey practises in Guildhall's Property, Trusts and Estates, Commercial and Insolvency and Restructuring teams. He joined Chambers following the successful completion of his pupillage at a commercial set of chambers in London.

During pupillage, Kieran worked on a variety of commercial, company and insolvency disputes, including drafting pleadings, skeleton arguments and notes of advice. He also attended hearings in the County Court, High Court and Court of Appeal, and appeared unled for a bank in account forfeiture proceedings.

Before coming to the Bar, Kieran was the Judicial Assistant to Lord Justice Popplewell and Lord Justice Warby in the Court of Appeal where he worked on a variety of commercial and common law appeals. He also previously worked at Quillon Law LLP where he gained experience in civil fraud and asset tracing, sanctions, banking and digital assets disputes.

Kieran graduated with a first-class degree in History from Christ Church, Oxford, and then obtained a Distinction in the Graduate Diploma in Law from City Law School. Kieran was subsequently awarded the Lord Denning Scholarship and a Residential Scholarship from Lincoln's Inn for the Bar Course. During his legal studies, Kieran won both The Times/2TG Moot and the Sports Law Arbitration Moot. Kieran was invited back to City to teach public law and media law as a Visiting Lecturer on postgraduate and undergraduate courses.

He also previously volunteered with the Company Insolvency Scheme where he assisted barristers representing sole traders and SMEs in winding-up petitions. He has undertaken a range of pro bono work, including representing clients in the First-tier Tribunal through the Free Representation Unit and preparing advice and representation in a housing possession dispute through Advocate.

Kieran has also co-authored articles with commercial solicitors on Worldwide Freezing Orders and Authorised Push Payment fraud in *Solicitors Journal* and *The Law Society Gazette*.

Kieran joined Chambers as a probationary tenant in October 2026.

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Expertise

Commercial Dispute Resolution

- Drafting a skeleton argument and assisting in a *Henderson v Henderson* strike out/summary judgment hearing in a multi-million-pound claim brought by a UK motor vehicles company against Renault and Nissan.
- Drafting pleadings, skeleton arguments and legal research for a UAE-based petrochemicals company in a civil fraud claim valued at €143 million.
- Drafting advice on legal advice privilege in the *Aabar Holdings S.a.r.l. v Glencore Plc*
- Drafting a skeleton argument and attending the strike out/summary judgment hearing in a multi-million-pound claim for breach of contract involving the veterinary industry.
- Drafting pleadings in a cryptocurrency exchange dispute valued at £28 million.
- Drafting a skeleton argument and attending trial for a foreign exchange and contracts for difference broker in a multi-million-pound claim concerning breach of oral agreement.
- Drafting sections of an appeal skeleton concerning payments to witness arising out of the multi-billion-pound *Yukos shareholders v Russia*
- Drafting a skeleton argument seeking relief from sanctions for a military intelligence company in a dispute concerning anti-bribery laws.
- Assisting with preparing witness statements in a tortious claim defended by a gambling exchange worth c.£900,000.
- Assisting with a five-day County Court trial for a financial advisory business concerning the sale of a book of clients.
- Assisting with a proposed claim against the FCA concerning the motor finance redress scheme.
- Representing a Bank (unled) in Brighton Magistrates' Court in account forfeiture proceedings under the Proceeds of Crime Act.
- Working on a range of complex commercial appeals as a Judicial Assistant including *Sky v Mace* (insurance); *JPMorgan v WeRealize.com* (banking and call options); *FW Aviation Holdings v VietJet* (termination and assignment under contract); and the *Skatteforvaltningen* tax litigation (Revenue Rule and issue estoppel).
- Working on the leading cryptocurrency case (*D'Aloia v Persons Unknown*) and an enforcement claim on behalf of a nation state (as a paralegal).

Insolvency and Restructuring

- Drafting a skeleton argument for the Secretary of State and attending the hearing in a company director's disqualification concerning breach of Covid Bounce-Back Loan facilities.
- Preparing advice for the directors of an AI firm on a double derivative claim, professional indemnity insurance, freezing injunctions and an unlawful means conspiracy.
- Drafting a skeleton argument to restrain publication of a winding-up petition.
- Preparing a skeleton argument and advice in a bankruptcy petition case on behalf of the petitioner.
- Assisting with witness statements and legal advice privilege advice for a Russian investment bank (in administration) in a large claim against a major global bank.

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- Working on the *Drelle v Servis-Terminal* appeal as a Judicial Assistant.
- Working on an arbitration concerning an insolvent financial institution (as a paralegal).

Property, Trusts & Estates

- Preparing advice and a skeleton argument for an appeal in the County Court against a possession order in s.21 eviction proceedings.
- Working on a substantial civil fraud claim involving claims in breach of trust, breach of fiduciary duty, knowing receipt, dishonest assistance and unjust enrichment.
- Drafting a Respondent's Notice in an appeal concerning a pension trust and the Limitation Act.
- Assisting with obtaining charging orders over various properties (as a paralegal).

Memberships

- The Commercial Bar Association
- Sports Law Association membership

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