

KATIE GIBB

CALL: 1999

"Recommended for a wide range of insolvency cases"
Legal 500

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Katie practises in all areas of insolvency and enjoys a broad commercial litigation practice with particular specialism in partnership disputes.

PRACTICE AREAS

- Insolvency
 - Commercial
 - Property & Estates
 - Banking & Finance
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INSOLVENCY

Katie has been consistently recommended under Insolvency and Restructuring in the leading directories. Her practise covers all areas of insolvency law: on the personal insolvency side, she represents both trustees and debtors on a wide range of applications including contested statutory demand & bankruptcy petitions, transaction avoidance claims, annulments and IVAs. On the corporate insolvency side, she deals with all aspects of administrations, liquidations and transaction avoidance claims. Katie has specific experience in employment related insolvency matters and advises in relation to TUPE.

COMMERCIAL

Katie acts for a wide range of businesses and individuals covering all aspects of commercial litigation. Katie regularly advises clients pre action and is an experienced high court advocate in interim applications and injunctive relief. Her practice area covers a wide range of sale of goods, complex contractual disputes and breach of warranty / misrepresentation claims.

Katie also has expertise in employment related matters and regularly advises in relation to breach of covenant matters and restraint of trade, particularly in the context of industrial relations.

PARTNERSHIP DISPUTES

Katie has a particular specialisation in partnership disputes and has acted for a wide range of clients and business, including professional partnerships such as doctors and dentists. She advises both pre and post issue and covers such issues as identification of partnership property, treatment of post dissolution profits and all aspects of taking partnership accounts.

PROPERTY & ESTATES

Trusts of Land

Katie undertakes a wide range of trust work involving co ownership disputes, contested trusts of land and equitable remedies.

Katie has particular expertise in express, resulting and constructive trusts in a wide range of situations, including family breakdown, cohabiting or commercial contexts.

She regularly advises in TOLATA claims and her clients include beneficiaries, third parties and trustees / office holders.

Contested Probate

Wills

As regards formal validity of wills, Katie has wide experience of s 9 Wills Act 1937 claims, will construction and interpretation issues as well as advising on the substantive validity of the will by reason of lack of capacity, want of knowledge or approval or allegations of undue influence.

Katie also advises in property disputes which arise after death, including arguments involving estoppels and trust issues. She has experience of advising in donatio mortis causa claims.

Inheritance Act Claims

Katie regularly advises in claims under the Inheritance (Provision for Family and Dependents) Act 1975, both claimants and defendants. She regularly undertakes work pre issue and believes that negotiating an early settlement can be beneficial to all involved. Her advice is sensitive, pragmatic and commercial.

Insolvency Specialist

Katie specialises in particular in property disputes with an insolvency aspect, both personal and corporate having also specialised in that area for 15 years. Katie recently advised a multi-million pound family property trust in relation to a claim by a bankrupt beneficiary's trustee in bankruptcy. The case required careful consideration of the interplay between trust principles and the Insolvency Act 1986.

Katie is experienced in representing clients at all levels of tribunal and also regularly represents clients at mediation.

BANKING & FINANCE

Katie acts in a full range of banking and financing disputes for lenders and borrowers.

Katie has significant experience advising in relation to banking and mortgage disputes, particularly in relation to mortgage shortfall recoveries by lenders against borrowers.

She also acts in disputes arising out of guarantees and surety claims.

RECOMMENDATIONS

LEGAL 500 2019

Commercial, Banking, Insolvency & Chancery

Recommended for a wide range of insolvency cases

LEGAL 500 2017

Commercial, Banking, Insolvency & Chancery Law

Leading juniors

'Experienced across the whole spectrum of insolvency cases.'

LEGAL 500 2016

Commercial, Banking, Insolvency & Chancery Law

Leading juniors

'She specialises in personal and corporate insolvency.'

CHAMBERS UK 2015

Restructuring/Insolvency

Leading Junior - Band 2

Her practice is focused on personal insolvency with an emphasis on realisation of assets and matrimonial home disputes. She also has expertise in dealing with corporate insolvency cases.

Strengths: "She is very proactive, reliable and easy to work with - a sound advocate."

Recent work: Acted for a creditor in a statutory demand arising from a directors' loan of approximately £1 million.

LEGAL 500 2015

Commercial, Banking & insolvency

Leading juniors

'Recommended for her insolvency expertise.'

CHAMBERS UK 2015

Restructuring/Insolvency

Leading Junior - Band 2

Acts in all areas of commercial and personal insolvency, representing a wide range of clients. She is particularly skilled at handling employment-related insolvency issues.

Recent work: She successfully acted for the claimants in a number of bankruptcy petitions arising out of a partnership dispute.

LEGAL 500 2014

Commercial, Banking & insolvency

Leading juniors

'Her insolvency expertise complements her broad knowledge of company law'.

CHAMBERS UK 2014

Insolvency

Has developed a strong reputation for her considerable expertise in both personal and corporate insolvency issues. She works across a range of matters, including administrations, liquidations and transaction avoidance claims.

Expertise: "She is very good at explaining intricate legal matters in a straightforward fashion."

Recent work: Represented the petitioning creditor on a complex and high-value statutory demand of nearly £1 million. The demand arose out of a director's loan account of a company placed into administration in 2007.

CHAMBERS UK 2013

Insolvency

The "brilliant" Katherine Gibb is "approachable, articulate and very good with clients." She wins market approval.

LEGAL 500 2012

Insolvency

Guildhall Chambers fields an impressive insolvency team - featuring Katherine Gibb, who is recommended in this area.

CHAMBERS UK 2012

Insolvency

Katherine Gibb is admired for her considerable expertise in both corporate and personal insolvency matters.

LEGAL 500 2011

Insolvency

Christopher Brockman, Richard Ascroft and Katie Gibb are the other linchpins

CHAMBERS UK 2011

Insolvency

Katherine Gibb is highly experienced and commended for the breadth of her insolvency knowledge.

LEGAL 500 2010

Insolvency

Katherine Gibb has rapidly re-established her practice after a period of maternity leave.

CHAMBERS UK 2010

Insolvency

Katherine Gibb is experienced in dealing with the full range of personal and corporate insolvency matters. Her practice also encompasses company and partnership law. Sources say she is "widely knowledgeable and a pleasure to work with."

LEGAL 500 2009

Insolvency

Katie Gibb has been recommended.

CHAMBERS UK 2009

Insolvency

Katie Gibb provides "comprehensive advice" on corporate and individual insolvency matters and company disputes. Sources concur that she is "very good on her feet."

LEGAL 500 2008

Insolvency

At the younger end, Katherine Gibb is "in the Guildhall mould mode" of excellence.

APPOINTMENTS:

- Appointed as junior counsel to the Crown by the Attorney General
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MEMBERSHIPS:

- Chancery Bar Association
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EDUCATION:

- MA, Brasenose College, Oxford
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RECENT NEWS

- Directors' duties to disclose conflicts of interest: Fairford Water Ski Club v Cohoon & Craig Cohoon Watersports [2021] EWCA Civ 143
 - Katie Gibb comments on Orton and Others v Towcester Racecourse Company Limited (in administration)
 - Guildhall Chambers quiz night goes down a "sturm" - September 2015
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