

YEAR OF CALL

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1993

AREAS OF LAW

Civil, Commercial & Chancery

OVERVIEW

Head of Chambers, Mr Brant's cases cover commercial, chancery, insolvency (corporate and personal), intellectual property, landlord and tenant (commercial and residential) technology & construction. Mr Brant's personal injury work includes fraud and clinical negligence specialisms.

Legal 500 "Extremely adaptable and client-friendly". "He has particular expertise in financial litigation matters" and "experienced across a breadth of commercial matters."

Well regarded by clients he receives frequent recommendations and has several longstanding commercial and public sector clients. Specialising in more complex cases, Mr Brant has received praise from judiciary and legal journals as well as noting up some very high profile victories in the higher and appeal courts.

Mr. Brant is noted for being very client friendly, and additionally brings his experience as a former director and Chairman of the Board of a large housing association, and in a senior position in a large local authority.

EDUCATION

- LLB (Hons) University of Liverpool

APPOINTMENTS AND AWARDS

- Head of Chambers

RECENT LECTURES

- The 'right to be forgotten' – the new law after Google Spain v AEPD & Gonzalez ECJ C-123/12
- Misleading credit ratings – claims floodgates open after Durkin v DSG Retail & HFC Bank 2014 UKSC
- The Law of Highway Claims
- The new law of non-delegable duties after Woodland v Essex County Council 2013 UKSC



NOTABLE AND REPORTED CASES

Mercedes Travis Brewer v (1) Stanley Mann (2) Fortis Lease UK LTD (3) Stanley Mann Racing Ltd (2012); [2012] EWCA Civ 246; LTL 7/3/2012 : [2012] RTR 28 (Asset finance claim regarding Hire Purchase implied terms of quality and description – appeared in High Court and, un-led, at 5 day successful appeal at Court of Appeal)

Carol Keefe (Widow & Personal Representative of the Estate of Thomas Keefe, Deceased) v Isle Of Man Steam Packet Co Ltd (2010); [2010] EWCA Civ 683; LTL 17/6/2010. (Noise induced hearing loss whilst working on ship. Evidential burden on shipowner where no noise measurements taken. Mr. Brant appeared successfully at 1st instance, and also un-led in the Court of Appeal.)

Jayne Spencer v Wirral Metropolitan Borough Council (2008); LTL 1/10/2008 (Highway liability claim, tree root in Port Sunlight conservation area causing personal injury – whether breach of duty. Mr Brant appeared successfully at first instance and on appeal).

London North Securities Ltd V (1) Tony James Meadows (2) Michelle Debra Meadows (2005) [2005] EWCA Civ 956; LTL 27/7/2005 (Consumer Credit claim, agreement held unenforceable, appeal successfully resisted. The case attracted widespread media attention. Mr Brant won the case un-led at first instance, and also appeared and argued at the successful Court of Appeal hearing).

MBNA Europe Bank Ltd v Lynne Thorius (2009) LTL 4/1/2010 : [2010] ECC 8 (Consumer Credit 'Unfair Relationship' arising due to payment protection insurance advice combined with a significant undisclosed commission to the Lender on sale).

AXA Sun Life Services Plc v Michael Cannon & David Piper [2007] EWHC 2466 (QB) ; LTL 13/12/07 (Misrepresentation alleged by Defendants resisting a claim for agency advances by Claimant. Mr Brant appeared successfully for the Claimant).

Abbey National Business Equipment Leasing Limited v Dora IFE , Current Law 03/723 (Asset finance – Summary Judgment successfully obtained for Claimant).

RECOMMENDATIONS

Legal 500, 2020 – “Extremely adaptable and client-friendly”

Legal 500, 2018/19 – “He has particular expertise in financial litigation matters”

Legal 500, 2017 – “Experienced across a breadth of commercial matters.”

Legal 500, 2016 – “A well-regarded financial services barrister.”

Legal 500, 2015 – “Very competent, approachable and technically very able.”

The Times – “Lawyer of the Week”

Commercial Litigation – Legal Experts “His demeanour in conference with clients is very good.”

Legal 500 – “Paul Brant is another good all-rounder with particular skills in finance disputes”

Legal Experts – Recommended for Commercial Litigation

Legal 500 – “Paul Brant is recommended for, inter alia, consumer credit instructions”