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Memberships

- Northern Circuit
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Education

- University of London – Bachelor of Laws (external)
- Open University – LLB (Hons)
- De Montford University MSc Accounting & Finance
- BPP Law School – BPTC

Costs and Litigation Funding

Richard is an experienced and highly sought after costs practitioner with a wide range of expertise in costs and litigation funding. He is head of chambers' expanding costs team and undertakes along with other members, regular training sessions and seminars for solicitors and costs lawyers. Richard is often asked to speak at many costs' conferences including the annual meeting of the Association of Costs Lawyers, which is a significant event in the costs calendar.

Richard advising clients (both paying and receiving parties) in conference and in writing on all aspects of costs litigation including retainer disputes, litigation and third party funding, costs budgeting and matters involving complex areas of costs law.

He is regularly instructed to undertake non-contentious costs work including the drafting of retainers and complex conditional fee agreements and Damage Based Agreements.

His advocacy work regularly takes him to the Senior Courts Costs Office, in addition to the County Court, High Court and Court of Appeal to represent paying and receiving parties at Detailed Assessment hearings and costs appeals. With costs disputes involving an increasing amount of evidence and witness statements, Richard considerable experience as a commercial cross examiner is of significant assistance to his client's cases.

With the increasing amount of Solicitor and Client assessments being pursued, Richard is increasingly instructed to advise solicitors on assessments which are being vigorously pursued on behalf of former clients by claims companies.

Recommendations

“Richard is an effective advocate with a strong grasp on costs.”
Chambers and Partners 2024

“Richard is excellent all round.”
Chambers and Partners 2023

“Richard has a very strong technical knowledge combined with excellent commercial awareness.”
Chambers and Partners 2023

“Approachable and available, he provides exemplary, logical, practical advice on complex points of law.”

“He’s highly knowledgeable legally but also has a keen understanding of the commerciality of the claim. His advice is always clear and thorough, and he clearly distinguishes between legal theory and practical reality.”
Chambers and Partners 2022

“Handles the technical aspects of these cases exceptionally well and always gives a fair and reasoned opinion. He is an excellent advocate who is clear and concise, and builds up an excellent rapport with judges.”
Chambers and Partners 2021

“Richard’s advocacy is accomplished, and he is able to unpick the complexities of a legal case and explain the important points to the client in a comprehensible manner. An analytical and methodical junior.”
The Legal 500 2024

“Richard’s ability to absorb the information and get to the heart of the issues mean that he can always be relied upon to provide sound, proactive and well reasoned advice.”
The Legal 500 2021

“His submissions are articulate and detailed.”
The Legal 500 2020

“Highly experienced across a broad range of costs matters.”
The Legal 500 2018/19

Beyond the Bar

Away from the bar, Richard is a keen aviator, holding a pilot's licence and being a member of the BAE Systems Flying Club at Wharton, Lancashire. He is also plays jazz bass and piano and has performed internationally in a number of jazz big bands.