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Owen is a partner, and leads our real estate dispute resolution team. He is recognised as a leading individual in the UK in the field of property litigation.

Owen specialises in advising on complex litigation and arbitration disputes in the real estate sector. He also practices other forms of dispute resolution, including mediation. Owen's sub-specialisms include advising on insolvency and fraud-related issues in the real estate sector and seeking and obtaining pre-emptive injunctive relief to protect land and other commercial interests.

Owen frequently provides strategic support on large and complex property transactions, with a view to avoiding and pre-empting disputes.

Owen lectures, writes for legal journals and provides commentary in the legal and national press on contentious property and energy sector related disputes. A number of his cases have appeared in the legal and national print and broadcast media.

Track record

FTSE 100 UK broadcasting company

Acting in the High Court and arbitration proceedings for a landlord in a multi-million-pound claim relating to the re-letting of the 170,000 square foot London headquarters of a FTSE 100 UK broadcasting company.

High Court dispute

Acting in the High Court, the Court of Appeal and expert determination proceedings in a dispute concerning the sale of Heathrow's Terminal 5 site to BAA.

Acting on behalf of a tenant

Acting successfully for a prospective tenant in respect of its rescission of an agreement for lease, and pursuing a £70million claim for damages arising from the prospective landlord's failure to carry out development works.

Acting on behalf of victims of property fraud

Acting for victims of property fraud (in claims in negligence and breach of trust against firms of solicitors and agents, and in statutory indemnity claims against HM Land Registry).

Bond Street retail space

Acting on a £multi-million rent review of a substantial building and retail space on New Bond Street, Mayfair.

Central London developments

Acting for developers on their acquisitions and developments of a number of central London sites (acting on Landlord and Tenant Act 1954, and Telecommunications Code, possession proceedings relating to development sites with a combined gross development value in excess of £5 billion).

Damages claim

Acting in proceedings against a large firm of solicitors in respect of a substantial damages claim arising under the Landlord and Tenant Act 1988.

Energy sector client

Acting for a number of high profile energy sector clients in obtaining pre-emptive injunctions protecting land interests, supply chains and other commercial interests.

Judicial review proceedings

Acting in the High Court and the Court of Appeal in judicial review proceedings relating to the compulsory acquisition and development of a site on the Canary Wharf estate.

Large chain of DIY stores

Acting for the administrators of a large chain of DIY stores in respect of a property portfolio comprising over 150 leasehold properties.

Large mixed-use development

Acting for a landlord in a service charge dispute relating to a complex mixed-use development scheme comprising over 700 residential units and 40 commercial premises.

London developer

Acting for a developer in the High Court on a £750 million breach of confidence claim relating to a mixed-use central London development – one of the largest property cases (by value) in UK history.

Professional negligence claim

Acting in a professional negligence claim against a firm of solicitors arising from a £750m property portfolio acquisition.

Urban regeneration development

Acting for property developers in obtaining pre-emptive injunctions against the 'world at large', protecting urban regeneration development sites from acts of trespass.

Admissions

England and Wales, 2004

Education

LLB King's College London

Languages

English

Memberships

Property Litigation Association

Key dates

Year joined: 2023

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