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David Wise is leader of the firm's U.K. real estate litigation practice area. With more than 20 years' experience, he has an extensive skill set regarding property-related disputes in both the private and public sectors. David is a solicitor advocate and regularly undertakes his own court advocacy.

A long-standing member of the Property Litigation Association, David has experience across a wide spectrum of issues including business lease renewal litigation, dilapidations claims, possession of commercial and residential property, property-related professional negligence claims, recovery of rent and service charge arrears, forfeiture claims and leasehold enfranchisement disputes.

David also has an active general commercial litigation and contentious probate practice.

Engaging in public speaking, David presents not only to property-related professionals, but also continuing professional development seminars to fellow solicitors.

BACKGROUND

Prior to joining Armstrong Teasdale, David was head of real estate litigation at Kerman & Co., where he worked for more than seven years. He joined Armstrong Teasdale in early 2021 when the firms combined.

EDUCATION

- University of North London (LL.B., *Hons*)
- College of Law - London (LPC, *commendation*)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- Property Litigation Association

EXPERIENCE

Claim for Negligent Surveyor

Pursued a claim for negligent surveyor advice in a lease extension claim.

Claim for Re-entry for Commercial Premises

Successfully defended a landlord claim for re-entry of commercial premises for alleged

SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Real Estate

Litigation

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Real Estate, Development,

Construction

ADMISSIONS

England and Wales

breaches of alterations covenant and presented a robust defence based on a waiver of the breach.

Claim for Solicitor Negligence

Pursued a claim for solicitor negligence in a conveyancing transaction.

Order for Possession of a Commercial Unit

Secured an order for possession of a commercial unit in case of rental arrears, where peaceable re-entry had been repelled.

Peaceable Re-entry Following Breach of Lease Covenants

Secured peaceable re-entry to an industrial unit following breach of lease covenants.

Secured Business Lease Tenure for Commercial Unit Tenants

Secured business lease tenure for tenants of commercial units, supposedly occupying on the basis of 'licences'.

Securing Enhanced Compensation for Tenants

Secured enhanced compensation for tenants who had lease renewals opposed on the grounds of redevelopment.

Securing Possession of Commercial/Industrial Units

Advised upon and secured possession of commercial/industrial units in a case of landlord redevelopment underground (f) of section 30(1) of the Landlord and Tenant Act 1954.

Trespass Claims for Possession Against "Squatters"

Successfully undertaken numerous claims for possession of commercial and residential property against trespassers – involving properties of a full spectrum of size and complexity. Developed a specialism in offering a full-service, 'one-stop-shop' for such possession actions; drafting the court claims, undertaking the in-court advocacy, overseeing the eviction process and achieving repossession of land quickly and efficiently.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

January 21, 2022

Commercial Landlord and Tenant Issues in England and Wales to Watch Out for in Early 2022

November 9, 2021

Moratorium to End on Commercial Arrears During the COVID-19 Pandemic

March 10, 2021

U.K. Government Announces Extension on Commercial Rent Arrears Evictions Moratorium

February 18, 2021

The Future of Leasehold: The Government's Plans to Reform Residential Property Laws

September 29, 2020

After the storm – what happens now that the moratorium on residential evictions has been lifted?

Kerman & Co. website

September 29, 2020

With another Quarter Rent day approaching – what do we do..catch 22..?

Kerman & Co. website

April 21, 2020

Update – trespasser proceedings

Kerman & Co. website

April 1, 2020

The new Coronavirus Act 2020: Uncharted waters for landlords and tenants

Kerman & Co. website

March 24, 2020

Extra protection for businesses with ban on evictions for commercial tenants who miss rent payments

Kerman & Co. website

March 2, 2020

When is a notice not a notice

Kerman & Co. website