



EMMA SHAW

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Emma is a senior associate solicitor advising on corporate and commercial disputes across a broad range of sectors. She acts for both claimants and defendants in a wide variety of High Court and arbitral proceedings, including Rule K arbitration. She also has extensive experience in defending actions in the Court of Appeal.

Emma has a particular strength in contentious sports matters. She advises high-profile clients including The All England Lawn Tennis Club (Wimbledon), football clubs and rugby unions on the enforcement of ticket terms and conditions. Emma also has considerable experience in civil contempt proceedings against individuals who breach Court orders, including three successful outcomes before the Court of Appeal.

Emma was named as a Recommended Sports lawyer in the 2019 edition of the Legal 500 and is credited with being "wise beyond her years."

Emma was also recognised among the Legal 500 in 2020, with one client describing Emma as having "...great enthusiasm. Strong industry knowledge. Good client management."

BACKGROUND

Emma was an associate solicitor at Kerman & Co. in London and joined Armstrong Teasdale in early 2021 when the firms combined. Before that, she worked at other law firms in London.

EDUCATION

- BPP University Law School (LPC, *commendation*, 2010)
- BPP University Law School (GDL, *commendation*, 2009)
- University of Birmingham (B.A., *Hons*, 2007)
 - Geography

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

- LawInSport

CHARITABLE AND CIVIC INVOLVEMENT

- NHS (Volunteer Responder)

SERVICES AND INDUSTRIES

Litigation

Alternative Dispute Resolution

Complex Commercial

Litigation

Sports, Media and

Entertainment

ADMISSIONS

England and Wales

ACCOLADES

- The Best Lawyers in the United Kingdom® Ones to Watch, Sports Law (2023-present)
- The Legal 500 U.K., Tech, Media and Telecoms (2024); Recommended Lawyer, Sports (2020, 2024); Rising Star, Commercial Litigation (2023, 2024)

EXPERIENCE

Advised in Rule K Arbitration Proceedings

Represented an international and premier league footballer in a Rule K arbitration concerning a high-value commercial contract dispute.

Successful Outcome at Trial in Relation to the Supply of PPE During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Successfully defended a multimillion-pound claim at trial concerning a disputed transaction in relation to an alleged contract for the supply of over 100 million items of PPE during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Favorable Settlement in Long-Running High Court Case Involving Shareholder Dispute

Represented the minority shareholder of a sports and media consultancy in a Section 994 claim against a total of nine individual and corporate respondents, and in an application for injunction to prevent the individual respondents from using company money to pay their legal costs in defence of the petition. The High Court granted the injunction, citing the well-recognised principle that a company's money should not be spent on disputes between shareholders. The respondents' defence strategy included counterclaims and claims in Germany, but ultimately they settled.

Advised on Complex Commodities Fraud

Advised in complex London Court of International Arbitration and International Chamber of Commerce conjoined arbitrations concerning allegations of bribery and agency in relation to global fertiliser trading.

Advised on Numerous Committal Applications

Advised on numerous committal applications in respect of breaches of interim and permanent injunctions resulting in both custodial and suspended sentences, as well as successfully defending Court of Appeal applications to set aside committal orders.

Multimillion-Euro Shareholder Dispute

Advised in high-value unfair prejudice proceedings with assets in dispute up to the value of €50 million.

Multimillion-Pound PPE Fraud during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Advised on obtaining urgent injunctions to restrain and recover assets arising out of the purchase of PPE during the COVID-19 pandemic.

Obtained High Court Injunctions Related to Major Sporting Event Ticketing Sales

Obtained numerous urgent prohibitory High Court injunctions in relation to the unauthorised sale of tickets to major sporting events including the Wimbledon Tennis Championships, Premier League football games and international rugby matches.

Obtained Successful Injunctions in Ongoing Unfair Prejudice Proceedings

Advised minority shareholder in obtaining injunctions in matters involving wrongful exclusion from business partnership.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

June 12, 2020

Insolvency proceedings and the Coronavirus

Kerman & Co. website