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### Welcome

New Temple Chambers is a commercial barristers' chambers situated in the heart of the City of London in one of its most iconic buildings, 30 St Mary Axe (The Gherkin). Chambers has outstanding facilities together with the latest legal technology which enables our barristers to provide first class legal services tailored to our clients commercial objectives, to ensure the best possible outcome for our clients. Our highly skilled set of barristers specialise in construction, engineering and infrastructure and commercial chancery.

### What we do

Construction, engineering and infrastructure and commercial chancery is our core focus. Our barristers provide expert legal advice, excellence in drafting and robust representation across Engliand and Wales in the County Court, High Court, Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court.

### **Our Team**

New Temple Chambers is led by the Head of Chambers, Charles Edwards MSt(Cantab) MSc(Lond) MRICS FCInstCES Barrister, who is a first-class practising Barrister. Charles was called to the Bar of England and Wales in 2002 by the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple, is a member of of the Technology and Construction Bar Association and the Chancery Bar Association (which is the Bar Association for Barristers practising in the Business and Property Courts in England and Wales). He is a graduate of the University of Cambridge and King's College London. Charles's knowledge and insight has been described as "unparalleled'. Charles is" ... extremely dedicated, precise and utterly relentless ... ". He has been described as" ... an advocate you most certainly want on your side".

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### **Our Work**

Our barristers are legal experts and have a wealth of knowledge and experience in litigation and dispute resolution. Members of chambers act for Claimants and Defendants across a wide a range of business sectors and provide excellence in written and oral advocacy in the County Court, High Court, Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court, together with outstanding client care. From the outset of any dispute, our barristers will formulate a legal strategy to achieve the best result possible for our clients.



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### Litigation Experience includes

#### **Cross Border Insolvency – High Court Proceedings**

Acted in a cross border insolvency matter before the Bankruptcy and Companies Court (High Court) involving judgment, costs issues and seeking Leave to Appeal.

### Professional Negligence matter against a firm of Solicitors (County Court) - Permission to Appeal

Advised and acted in an application for Permission to Appeal in the County Court against a firm of solicitors for breach of their fiduciary duty, failure of the solicitors to account for monies received, breach of contract and damages.

### **Company- County Court Proceedings**

Advised and acted for a company director regarding a dispute between the directors over the company's assets.

#### **Partnerships – County Court Proceedings**

Advised and acted in a partnership dispute for a business owner involving ownership of two different businesses. This matter involved disputes over the terms of the partnership agreement, breach of contract, loss of profits and forensic expert accountant's report.

#### **Costs proceedings – Court of Appeal**

Advised the Appellant on cost proceedings in the Court of Appeal against a High Court Order.

### Services

- Legal advice
- Advice on legal strategy to be adopted
- · Advice on Pre-Action Conduct
- Advice on Settlement, Part 36 offers and ADR
- · Drafting statements of case
- Drafting witness statements
- Advice on instructing an expert witness
- Applications for interim remedies
- Application for summary judgment and strike out
- Representation at the case management conference
- Representation at the Pre-trial review
- Representation in the County Court
- Representation in the High Court (including the Technology and Construction Court, Chancery Division, and the Commercial Court)
- Representation in the Court of Appeal and the Supreme Court

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### Litigation Experience includes

### Enforcement of an Adjudicator's Decision in the High Court (Technology and Construction Court)

Advised and acted in enforcement proceedings in relation to the enforcement of an Adjudicator's Decision for a new residential development.

### High Court Proceedings - Arbitration - Section 9 of the Arbitration Act 1996 (Oil and Gas)

Acted for an international company with regard to Applications in the High Court (Queen's Bench Division) under section 9 of the Arbitration Act 1996 to stay legal proceedings commenced against the company in the High Court. This matter involved the oil and gas industry, international commercial law, the validity of an arbitration agreement, breach of contract and the jurisdiction of the High Court in England and Wales.

### **Insolvency – High Court (Chancery Division)**

Advised on insolvency and proposed winding-up petition in the Chancery Division (Companies Court) against a large UK public limited company.

### Commercial Property – High Court (Chancery Division)

Advised and acted in two commercial property disputes involving applications in the High Court, forfeiture and obtaining two injunctions in the High Court on behalf of the Commercial Tenants.

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### High Court Judge, Queen's Bench Division

"...Counsel for the Claimant's skeleton argument was excellent..."

#### **Director (UK multidisciplinary practice)**

"Having had the privilege of working with Charles I can say he is extremely dedicated, precise and utterly relentless. A leading thinker...an advocate you most certainly want on your side."

#### **Business owner/individual**

"...he has unbelievable depth of knowledge... and we would have no hesitation in recommending him..."



#### Partner (LLP)

"We have known and worked with Charles on a regular basis over several years. We have found Charles to not only be friendly, approachable and professional, but his advice is considered, diligent and thorough. Our relationship with Charles has evolved to a point where he is our first port of call in litigious matters, with our supply chain also specifically requesting his services"

#### **Managing Director (UK Company)**

"...We were able to meticulously comb through the data we had with your legal and commercial brain...in order to write a robust rebuttal to their claim...Thank you for your diligence... more than once you went beyond the call of duty to support us..."

## Director – Feedback - Court of Appeal Hearing following successful hearing in a complex construction & engineering dispute:

"...what an extraordinary day...Thank you for your services..."

### Managing Director – High Court (Technology & Construction Court proceedings)

"I would just like to thank you for your professional services and representation..., it was an absolute pleasure working with you and your flawless services from start to finish. Thank you so much for helping us win our case and get us our monies back. I will have no hesitation recommending you to anyone..."

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