

Will Richmond-Coggan

Partner

"Will Richmond-Coggan is excellent on data law issues. Very knowledgeable."

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Will was called to the Bar in 2000 and since 2004 has been dual-qualified as a solicitor-advocate, undertaking a wide range of high value and complex litigation, often with an international element. He has litigated up to Supreme Court level and is regularly instructed in large scale group litigation arising from data breaches and cyber incidents.

Other specialisms include technology disputes, media and reputation cases, and advisory work for established and emerging companies grappling with data- or privacy-intensive technologies (federated social, metaverse, AI, VR, facial recognition).

He was recently elected Chair of the national Solicitors Association of Higher Court Advocates for an unprecedented second non-consecutive term.

Will is listed as a Recommended Lawyer and Next Generation Partner for Commercial Litigation in The Legal 500 (2024 edition).

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Legal Services

Dispute Resolution

Selected Cases

Will was lead partner on a breach of restrictive covenant dispute which included an issue referred to the Supreme Court in 2018 (One Step v Morris-Garner [2018] UKSC 20); he was the advocate on the first successful claim in relation to a defamatory online review (Bussey v Page [2015] EWHC 563)

GDPR

Will has advised a range of local, national and international clients about the implications for their business of the GDPR changes to data protection law. These have ranged from technology manufacturers concerned about the international sale of devices that process personal data; financial sector businesses looking to ensure that they achieved full GDPR compliance within an already heavily regulated compliance landscape; and businesses involved in cross-border data privacy disputes. He is a leading expert on the new legislation and is invited to speak regularly to audiences of senior executives and professionals on a wide range of topics related to data privacy.

Sectors

Automotive

Selected Cases

- Will has a wide range of experience acting for automotive (including motorsports) clients. He acted for some years for a Formula 1 team in connection with a range of disputes involving data and information rights among other matters, he went on to be instructed by the team principal in relation to a personal dispute. He also was lead adviser on all contentious and non-contentious data matters to the UK subsidiary of a Japanese motorcycle manufacturer in the period before and after the coming into force of the GDPR.