

## Aarushi Sahore

YEAR OF CALL: 2020

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## Practice Overview

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Aarushi practises across all areas of commercial law and public law. This includes contractual disputes, civil fraud, insurance, financial regulation, privacy and data protection, EU relations law, judicial review and human rights. She is regularly in court and has experience of large-scale litigation, as well as shorter applications and appeals on points of law.

Aarushi is ranked as a "Rising Star" in Commercial Litigation (Legal 500) and an "Up & Coming" barrister in Commercial Dispute Resolution (Chambers & Partners). As regards her public law work, Aarushi has also been appointed to the Attorney General's Civil Panel of Counsel (C Panel).

Before coming to the Bar, Aarushi was a dual-qualified solicitor in Australia and England & Wales. Aarushi graduated with an LLB (First Class) from the University of Sydney and an LLM (First Class) from the University of Cambridge. At Cambridge she ranked first in two subjects (Legal History and the Economics of Law and Regulation), and was awarded the President's Prize for significant distinction in law at Queens' College.

## Commercial

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Recent experience includes:

- *Phones 4U v Telefonica* [2023] EWHC 2826 (Ch) – acting for O2/Telefonica in their successful defence of alleged collusive boycott leading to the collapse of Phones4U (with Mark Hoskins KC, Sarah Abram KC and Matthew Kennedy)
- *Bank of St Petersburg v Arkhangelsky* [2022] EWHC 2499 (Ch); [2022] EWHC 2756 (Ch) – acting for Bank of St Petersburg in its successful defence of a \$US400m fraud and conspiracy claim (with Tim Lord KC and Richard Eschwege KC)

- *Al Sadeq v Dechert LLP* [2023] EWHC 184 (KB) – acting for a former Dechert partner in three combined proceedings alleging tortious wrongdoing under UAE law against numerous parties (with Fionn Pilbrow KC)
- *Azima v RAKIA* [2022] EWHC 2980 (Ch); [2023] EWHC 693 (Ch); [2023] EWCA Civ 507 – acting for a former Dechert partner in a hacking claim under US law and a claim to set aside a judgment allegedly procured by fraud (with Fionn Pilbrow KC)
- *Uzbekov v Revolut* [2024] EWHC 98 (KB) – acting for Revolut in a successful strike out of a breach of contract claim alleging “debanking” for closure of a retail bank account (with Tony Singla KC)
- *RTM v Sky Betting & Gaming* [2025] EWHC 111 (KB)– acting successfully for an anonymous claimant in a novel claim for breach of privacy and data protection laws against online gambling platforms (with Christopher Knight)
- *Palmali v Litasco* – acting for the Swiss oil trading subsidiary of Lukoil defending a c.\$200m breach of contract claim (with Tim Lord KC, Craig Morrison KC and Geoffrey Keuhne)
- *Johnson v FirstRand* (on appeal to the Supreme Court) – acting for the Financial Conduct Authority as an intervener in respect of common law and equitable remedies for secret commissions in motor finance (with Jemima Stratford KC)

Aarushi has also developed a substantial unled commercial practice:

- ***Hicks v Guinness World Records*** – acting for Guinness World Records in successfully striking out a £1m fraudulent misrepresentation claim claiming “loss of chance” damages (unled, instructed by Mishcon de Reya)
- ***GE Austria v Arabian Bemco*** – acting for a subsidiary of General Electric in successfully obtaining an order for specific performance in respect of £2.7m held in an escrow account (unled, instructed by Clifford Chance)
- ***Covid 19 Insurance Claims*** – acting for an insurer in respect of Covid-19 business interruption claims after the *FCA v Arch* decision (unled, instructed by DWF)
- *Altius Real Estate* – acting for a property development company in a breach of contract and unjust enrichment claim (unled, instructed by Mishcon de Reya)
- *Graham v TT2* – successful strike out of a claim against Tyne Tunnels under the Consumer Rights Act 2015 (unled, instructed by Eversheds)
- *VMO2* – advising Virgin Media O2 in respect of a potential set-aside application (unled, instructed by VMO2 in-house legal)
- *Bank v Issuer* – acting for a Swiss bank in a breach of contract claim in respect of index-linked securities (unled, instructed by Hogan Lovells)

## Public Law

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Recent experience includes:

- *R (AAA) v SSHD, UNHCR intervening* [2023] EWCA Civ 745 – acting for UNHCR intervening

in the challenge to the removal of asylum seekers to Rwanda (with Angus McCollough KC, Laura Dubinsky KC, Jennifer MacLeod and others)

- *R (Campaign Against Arms Trade) v SSIT* [2023] EWHC 1343 (Admin) – acting for Mwatana, a human rights organisation based in Yemen, in the challenge to the UK Government’s decision to sell weapons to Saudi Arabia (with James McClelland KC)
- *Fridman v His Majesty’s Treasury* [2023] EWHC 2657 (Admin) – acting successfully for HMT in defending a challenge to licensing decisions under sanctions rules (with Malcolm Birdling)
- ***AT v SSWP*** [2022] UKUT 330 (AAC); [2023] EWCA Civ 1307 – acting for the Independent Monitoring Authority in a claim concerning the EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement (with Marie Demetriou KC and Emma Mockford, appearing unled at first instance)
- *R (Clydesdale) v Financial Ombudsman Service* [2024] EWHC 3237 (Admin) – acting for the Financial Conduct Authority in respect of a challenge to a FOS decision about motor finance commission arrangements (with Jemima Stratford KC)
- *R (Ali) v SSHD* [2024] EWCA Civ 1546 – acting for the Independent Monitoring Authority on an appeal in respect of immigration rights of dependent family members under the EU-UK Withdrawal Agreement (with Galina Ward KC)
- *Fertre v Vale of White Horse* [2024] EWHC 1754 (KB); *C v Oldham* [2024] EWCC 1 – acting for the Independent Monitoring Authority on appeals under the Housing Act 1996 in respect of housing assistance for EU citizens residing in the UK after Brexit (unled)
- *R (Oji) v Director for Legal Aid Casework* [2024] EWHC 1281 (Admin); *R (Detention Action) v Lord Chancellor* [2022] EWHC 18 (Admin) – acting successfully for the Lord Chancellor in respect of challenges to the scope of legal aid (with Malcolm Birdling)

## EDUCATION & QUALIFICATIONS

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### Education

2018-19: Master of Law (First Class) at the University of Cambridge

2010-14: Bachelor of Law (First Class) and Bachelor of Commerce (Finance) at the University of Sydney

### Professional Experience

2020: Judicial Assistant, High Court of England & Wales (in the Queens’ Bench Division for Mr Justice Chamberlain and in the Commercial Court for Mr Justice Butcher)

2016-18: Trainee Solicitor (Australian-qualified), Linklaters LLP

2015: Judicial Assistant to the Chief Judge in Equity, Supreme Court of New South Wales, Australia

### Professional Qualifications

2020: Called to the Bar of England & Wales

2018: Qualified as a solicitor in England & Wales

2015: Qualified as a solicitor in New South Wales, Australia

## Scholarships and Prizes

John and Sophie Laws Scholarship (Bar European Group)

President's Prize for significant distinction in Law (Queens' College, Cambridge)

Foundation Scholarship (Queens' College, Cambridge)

Sir Sigmund Sternberg LLM Studentship (Queens' College, Cambridge)

Australia & New Zealand Banking and Financial Services Law Association Scholarship (BFSLA)

Justice Peter Hely Scholarship for further studies in commercial law and equity (University of Sydney)

Boulton Groom Postgraduate Scholarship (University of Sydney)

## PUBLICATIONS

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'Lights, Camera, No Action: The Interface Between Contract Law and Unjust Enrichment' (2022) 81(3) *Cambridge Law Journal* 487

'ABN Amro Bank NV v Bathurst Regional Council: Credit Rating Agencies and Liability to Investors' (2015) 37(3) *Sydney Law Review* 437

'An Awkward Situation: The Courts' Approach to a Judicial Officer Suing for Defamation' (2015) 20 *Media and Arts Law Review* 380

## Directory Quotes

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"Aarushi has a good strategic approach and applies that to novel legal points. She has a really good intellect and a fine advocacy style." Chambers & Partners 2025

"Her written work is excellent and her client management is also very good." Chambers & Partners 2025

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excellent, persuasive written work and benefits from her experiences as a solicitor by demonstrating best-in-class client service." Legal 500 2025