BCLP. Client Intelligent



PERRY SWANSON

Senior Associate London

E: <u>perry.swanson@bclplaw.com</u> T: <u>+44 (0) 20 3400 2266</u>

BIOGRAPHY

Perry is a senior associate in BCLP's market-leading Real Estate Disputes Group (ranked in Band 1 by *Chambers UK* and in Tier 1 by *Legal 500*), with more than 8 years' experience advising clients on complex and high-stakes disputes, risk mitigation and litigation in the UK court system including the First-tier Tribunal (Property Chamber), Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber), County Court, High Court, and Court of Appeal.

He advises a wide range of clients in the real estate sector on contentious matters, including issues arising out of developments such as rights of light, overage, vacant possession strategies, propertyrelated insolvencies, building safety issues in the context of the Building Safety Act 2022, and he has particular expertise advising site providers on telecoms matters and disputes relating to the Electronic Communications Code. Perry also routinely supports BCLP's transactional lawyers, providing strategic advice and managing risks on complex real estate transactions. Perry is Vice Chair of the Junior Property Litigation Association and he is also a member of BPF Futures and the Property Litigation Association.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Property Litigation Association
- BPF Futures

ADMISSIONS

England and Wales

RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

- Real Estate Disputes
- Litigation & Dispute Resolution
- Real Estate

EXPERIENCE

- Acted for the claimants in a High Court claim for the return of a deposit following termination of agreements for lease in a failed property development scheme in Liverpool, in which the claimants had contracted to purchase 38 apartments.
- Advised a high-profile developer in relation to their proposed major redevelopment in Mayfair, including securing vacant possession of the site before commencement of works and providing strategic advice including on telecoms-related issues.
- Advised a leading global investment firm on rights of light issues associated with the forward funding of a 819-bed purpose-built student housing scheme in Bristol.
- Advised a major property development and investment company in relation to development matters on its multi-million pound acquisition of an estate of properties in Soho, London.

 Acted for a high-profile developer in connection with their acquisition and multi-million pound plans to develop a skyscraper in the City of London, including securing vacant possession of the site before commencement of works, and providing strategic advice in relation to telecoms operators and occupiers of the site.

RELATED INSIGHTS

Insights Mar 25, 2024 **Briefcase 2024 quarter 1: key real estate cases and updates**

Insights Jul 20, 2023 **Developers can breathe a sigh of relief (for now) as the Court of Appeal plugs a gap in the Telecoms Code**

Last year the Upper Tribunal held that holders of concurrent leases that are subject to pre-existing Telecoms Code agreements cannot be treated as a 'party to the agreement', effectively sterilising their ability to terminate or modify/renew those Code agreements. Concurrent leaseholders requiring the removal or relocation of telecommunications equipment to facilitate a development were particularly badly affected, as they were left at the mercy of the operators, or faced with costly revisions to adapt their scheme around the apparatus and associated rights. The Court of Appeal has unanimously overturned the Upper Tribunal's decision, bringing welcome relief and clarity for both site providers and telecoms operators.

News

Jun 23, 2023

BCLP advises KKR on forward funding of 819-bed student accommodation scheme in Bristol

News Apr 28, 2023 BCLP shortlisted in 'The Lawyer' Awards 2023

Insights Mar 30, 2023 **Briefcase 2023 Quarter 1: Key Real Estate Cases and Updates**

Insights Jun 29, 2022 **Briefcase 2022 Quarter 2: Key real estate cases and updates**