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BIOGRAPHY

Rebecca is a partner in the Real Estate Disputes Group with over 15 years' experience of complex high value disputes and managing litigation at all levels of the UK court system including the Court of Appeal and Supreme Court.

She advises the full spectrum of Real Estate sector clients, including investors, developers, landlords and institutional tenants on a range of property issues covering lease disputes; sale and purchase disputes; property related insolvency claims; and telecoms disputes. She also provides strategic advice to clients looking to undertake major redevelopment projects.

Clients regularly reach out to Rebecca to handle their high-value rating issues due to her substantial knowledge and experience in business rates disputes.

Rebecca is individually ranked in *Chambers UK* as a leading practitioner and in *Legal 500 UK* as a 'Next Generation Partner' for Real Estate Litigation. The 2025 editions described Rebecca as *"a tenacious and technical lawyer"*, *"always quick to respond, positive and creative. She sees situations clearly and is never afraid to "grasp the nettle" in difficult circumstances"* and *"[she has] exceptional attention to detail, energy and determination always produces swift and successful results."*

In November 2024, Rebecca was elected as the Chair of the Property Litigation Association, the professional body that represents over 1,700 property litigators across the UK and Ireland. In 2023, she was appointed as a member of the Real Estate Balance Policy and Campaigns Committee.

She is a regular speaker at conferences and industry events.

ADMISSIONS

England and Wales

RELATED CAPABILITIES

- Real Estate Disputes
- Commercial Real Estate
- Finance
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EXPERIENCE

- Acted for Tesco (successful respondent) in the landmark Supreme Court case of *Cardtronics & ors v Sykes (VO) [2020] UKSC 21*, relating to the separate assessment of ATM sites for business rates, which resulted in retailers receiving over £200million in rebates from HMRC.
- Acted for the successful landlords in the Court of Appeal case of *Tindall v Adda [2015] 1 P&CR 5*, the leading case on intra-group lease assignments.

- Advised international landlord on a £17million dilapidations claim for its City of London office building, involving a myriad of complex legal, valuation and technical expert issues.
- Advised international law firm tenant on complex lease exit strategy and relocation of its London headquarters.
- Advised institutional landlord on £800million development scheme in Mayfair including obtaining vacant possession from telecoms operators and termination of over 100 commercial and residential leasehold interests.

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In the recent case of Prosser v Ricketts [2024] UKUT 264 (LC), the Upper Tribunal Lands Chamber (UT) had to decide whether barristers' chambers rooms should be treated as a collective, single unit for business rates purposes, or whether each individual room, occupied exclusively by an individual member of chambers, should be assessed separately, potentially qualifying for small business rates relief.

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The Valuation Tribunal recently considered the impact of the Rushden Lakes Shopping Centre in Northamptonshire on rental and hence rateable values in neighbouring towns. The opening of the Centre had adversely impacted footfall and revenue in those towns. Some ratepayers claimed that the operation of the Centre constituted a material change of circumstances (MCC) "in the locality", which should reduce their business rates liability. It was not in dispute that their businesses had been impacted by the Centre. The VTE had to consider the meaning and extent of "locality" for the purpose of establishing whether there were MCCs.

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