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BIOGRAPHY

A skilled litigator, Jessica Parry focuses on resolving high-stakes, high-value contentious property matters. Her practice includes leading complex asset management and real estate litigation for clients with large portfolios, with a focus on major corporate landlord and tenant disputes.

Jessica acts for a range of property clients including institutional investors, developers, corporate occupiers, asset managers and charities. She has extensive experience across a range of commercial and residential property disputes including lease renewals, adverse possession, break notices, dilapidations, forfeiture, rent reviews and arrears claims.

Recognised in Legal 500 UK, clients describe Jessica as “extremely thoughtful and responsive.” She is renowned for her well-rounded real estate sector knowledge and commercial approach. Clients

note that Jessica “participates actively and very constructively in strategic discussions regarding the property beyond the more narrow issues being litigated.”

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Property Litigation Association

ADMISSIONS

- England and Wales

RELATED PRACTICE AREAS

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

EXPERIENCE

Jessica has advised:

- Tesco in relation to a £5m dilapidations claim
- Real estate joint venture on vacant possession strategy in relation to a £400 million shopping centre to town centre regeneration scheme including multiple Landlord and Tenant Act 1954 litigation issues
- A commercial property owner on defending a highly contentious adverse possession claim in relation to a multi-million-pound site near Heathrow with significant redevelopment potential
- An institutional landlord on the statutory consultation process for major works to a mixed-use building estimated to cost in excess of £1m, including the impact of the Building Safety Act and related legislation on service charge recoverability

- Private-equity backed European manufacturing company regarding various UK property-related disputes including the validity of leases of residential properties with a rental cost of over £7m entered into by former directors outside their authority

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RAAC – What it is and what it means

As schools prepared to reopen this September after the summer break, hundreds were informed that, due to the use of Reinforced Autoclaved Aerated Concrete (RAAC) in their buildings (and its current state and condition), this would not be the case and they would need to remain closed or find alternative accommodation until remedial works could be undertaken. There are likely to be further closures in the future, as more schools are found to contain RAAC in need of urgent remedial works. It has recently become apparent that other buildings have been also affected by RAAC issues, for example court buildings and hospitals. This Insight takes a closer look at RAAC, why it has become an issue now and considers practical steps for those affected by RAAC.

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In this quarter's edition, we cover cases concerning continuing nuisance, business lease renewals, "subject to contract" and misrepresentation. We also tell you about the new Renters (Reform) Bill recently introduced to Parliament.

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RESIDENTIAL RENTED SECTOR RESET: THE RENTERS (REFORM) BILL

The Renters (Reform) Bill was introduced to Parliament on 17 May 2023. It proposes an overhaul of the residential tenancy system, intended to put renters in a better position. This note sets out some of the key provisions of the Bill, and some commentary on the proposed changes.

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Wrong payment date invalidated service charge demand (H Stain v Richmond)

Property analysis: In *H Stain Ltd v Richmond*, the Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber) (UT) held that a service charge demand issued to a residential leaseholder was invalid. The lease required at least one month's notice to be given in relation to advance service charge contribution demands. The payment due date in the demand was a few days short and this was fatal to the validity. Accordingly, the tenant was not liable for the sums demanded.

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