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Paul Stone has wide-ranging experience of corporate and commercial litigation, but he also acts for a significant number of public sector clients, advising on public law issues including judicial review, freedom of information and human rights issues as well as advising on internal corporate governance, risk management and dispute avoidance in connection with major projects.

Paul advises on corporate disputes involving shareholder actions, fraud investigations and warranty claims. He also has considerable experience advising on expert valuations and related issues following on from corporate transactions.

Paul also advises on media and defamation matters, product liability litigation and on crisis management. He is an experienced negotiator and litigation tactician who is committed to achieving early solutions to his clients' problems. Paul has considerable experience of preparing for and representing clients in mediation at all stages of the litigation process.

- Litigation, Arbitration and Investigations
- Insurance and Reinsurance Disputes
- Product Liability, Mass Torts and Product Stewardship

- Government Contracting

- Acting for the Mayor of London and Transport for London in successfully defending judicial review proceedings brought by Westminster City Council in relation to congestion charging in London.
- Advising the Mayor of London and Transport for London on risk management issues relating to the development of the Mayor's Transport Strategy and the making of the Central London Congestion Charging Scheme Order. Also coordinating general legal advice on issues relating to the scheme including competition law, data protection, intellectual property, planning, street signage, enforcement and other issues.
- Advising the Baby Products Association in the case of R -v- Liverpool Trading Standards - a judicial review in relation to the safety of baby walkers.
- Appearing with the Vice-Chancellor of Huddersfield University before the Public Accounts Committee of the House of Commons.
- Handling a significant number of professional negligence and related cases against actuaries and lawyers advising on pension-related issues.
- Advising on a range of pension-related disputes concerning pension transfer values and similar issues arising in connection with

corporate transactions.

CREDENTIALS

Professional Qualifications

- Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England and Wales

Education

- Oxford University, BA Hons Jurisprudence, 1982

INSIGHTS

Publications

The 2019 rail franchising litigation - procurement: Legal privilege and a duty to give sufficient reasons

4 August 2020

Mr Justice Stuart-Smith handed down judgment in the 2019 Rail Franchising Litigation, one of the largest and most complex procurement and commercial judicial review claims litigated to date in the UK. In this, our second article, we examine the Court's findings as they relate to legal privilege and the duty to give sufficient reasons.

Procurement Law Reform - Let's start a discussion

9 July 2020

DLA Piper's panel discussion webinar held on 1 July 2020 had a lively debate on the merits of potential options for reform and which changes might produce a better model for procurement regulation in the UK post Brexit. This is the first of a series of bitesize summary reports providing feedback from the debate.

Further amendments to English COVID-19 emergency regulations

13 May 2020

On 13 May 2020, the UK government amended its emergency legislation for COVID-19 to relax some of the lockdown restrictions in England. This article explains what the changes are and what they mean.

Events

Previous

Procurement law reform webinar

1 July 2020

