



## Alex Platts

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Alex joined St John's Buildings as a pupil in October 2019 under the supervision of **Alastair Wright** and **Daniel Metcalfe**. He became a tenant in October 2020 and is quickly developing a broad civil practice, with a focus on commercial/chancery, personal injury/clinical negligence and data protection law. He has also gained experience of employment law and court of protection work during pupillage.

Aside from his regular court work, Alex enjoys a busy paperwork practice, and prides himself on his ability to meet tight deadlines when returning papers.

### Education

- BA (1st) and M.Phil (71) in Music, University of Cambridge (2013-14)
- GDL (Distinction, first in year), University of Sussex (2018)
- BPTC (Outstanding), City Law School (2019)

### Memberships

- Lincoln's Inn
- Northern Circuit
- Northern Circuit Commercial Bar Association
- Northern Circuit Chancery Bar Association
- Personal Injury Bar Association

### Prizes and Scholarships

- Canon Greville Cooke prize/graduate scholarship, Christ's College, Cambridge (2013)
- Brougham Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn (2017)
- Draper Prize, University of Sussex (2018)
- Denning Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn (2018)
- Buchanan Prize, Lincoln's Inn (2019)

## Articles

- Representative Actions in Data Breach Claims: An Update

## EXPERTISE

### Company and Commercial

Alex provides advices in matters across the spectrum of commercial, chancery and company law, in relation to liability, quantum and procedure. He is regularly instructed to draft commercial pleadings for both Claimants and Defendants.

In court, Alex represents clients on contractual disputes in fast track and small claims matters, as well as dispute resolution hearings. He has successfully represented applicants in hearings to set aside default judgments, to set aside statutory demands and to restore a company to the register. Alex also receives instructions to act as counsel in mediations.

### Personal Injury

Alex accepts instructions in all areas of personal injury and clinical negligence work. He provides advices on both liability and quantum in a variety of clinical negligence, personal injury and industrial disease cases, and has experience of drafting pleadings across these areas both for Claimants and Defendants.

In court, Alex regularly conducts trials on both liability and quantum, as well as appearing at infant approval hearings and MOJ stage 3 cases under the RTA protocol.

### Data and Information Law

Alex has a particular interest in data protection law, and advises in this area both in relation to liability and quantum. He receives regular instructions for advice on liability and quantum, both for Claimants and Defendants. He has experience of drafting letters of claim, letters of response and particulars of claim, and has appeared at an infant approval hearing in the High Court.