

Adam McKinlay

Year of Call: 2018

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Professional Career to date

Devil Masters: Chris Paterson, Dan Byrne, Sarah Livingstone

2017-2018: Devil, Faculty of Advocates
2015-2017: Solicitor Advocate & Associate, Brodies LLP
2012-2015: Senior Solicitor, Brodies LLP
2010-2012: Solicitor, Brodies LLP
2008-2010: Trainee, Brodies LLP

Education & Professional Qualifications

Lord Reid Scholarship, Faculty of Advocates (2017-2018)
Chartered Insurance Institute, Diploma in Insurance (2014)
Diploma in Legal Practice, University of Edinburgh (2008)
LLB (Hons) (First Class), University of Edinburgh (2007)

Academic Prizes:

Lord President Cooper Memorial Prize (2007) – Honours Student of Outstanding Distinction
John Hastie Scholarship (2007) – best performance in Ordinary courses by an LLB graduate
Miller Prize (2005) – class prize for Commercial Law
Tods Murray Scholarship (2005) – combined prize for Commercial and Property Law
James Craig Howie Memorial Prize (2005) – combined prize for private law subjects
McGrigors Prize (2005) – combined prize for Commercial Law, Property and Taxation
Margaret Balfour Keith Prize (2004) – class prize for Public Law
Thow Scholarship (2004) – class prize for Obligations

Areas of Expertise

- Professional Liability
- Construction and Engineering
- Commercial Contracts
- Commercial Property
- Public Law, Judicial Review and Human Rights

Professional Experience

Adam called to the Bar in 2018 as the Lord Reid Scholar 2017-18.

Adam's areas of practice are commercial and public law. He has a particular expertise in professional negligence actions. He also regularly acts for clients in construction, property and contractual disputes and has significant experience of obtaining interim orders.

Adam is a Standing Junior to the UK Government. He represents the UK Government in judicial review

cases, including cases concerning human rights and EU law.

Adam appears regularly in the Court of Session (including the Commercial Court) and the Sheriff Court. He also represents clients in adjudications, arbitrations and mediations.

Prior to calling to the Bar, Adam practiced as an Associate in Brodies LLP's Dispute Resolution department, where he worked for seven years. He was a Solicitor Advocate prior to calling to the Bar and appeared in the UK Supreme Court in that capacity. He teaches Civil Court Practice at the University of Edinburgh.

Recent Cases

As solicitor-advocate:

Professional Liability

Gordon's Trustees v Campbell Riddell Breeze Paterson LLP 2017 SLT 1287 (as solicitor-advocate in Inner House and Supreme Court) – application of s11(3) of the Prescription and Limitation (Scotland) Act 1973 to a claim for economic loss

Construction

MP Burke Transport Limited v Charles Scott & Partners [2017] CSOH 67 (as solicitor-advocate) – Commercial Court proof regarding scope of duties owed by structural engineer.

Advocates Courts & Tribunals

Supreme Court
Court of Session (Inner and Outer House, including Commercial Court)
Sheriff Courts

Advocates Appointments & Memberships

2015 to present: Tutor, Civil Court Practice, Diploma in Legal Practice, University of Edinburgh
2009-2014: Tutor, Contract Law (Honours), University of Edinburgh
2009-2012: Tutor, Contract and Unjustified Enrichment (Ordinary), Delict (Ordinary) and Commercial Law (Ordinary), University of Edinburgh