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Joshua accepts instructions across all areas of commercial law.

He acted in the **Russian Aircraft LP Claims [2025] EWHC 1430 (Comm)** and **[2025] EWHC 2529 (Comm)**, which were some of the largest insurance claims ever brought before the English courts. He continues to act in other significant insurance disputes arising out of the war in Ukraine.

Joshua's other recent and current instructions include:

- acting and advising, unled, in relation to various commercial disputes (including one with a value of US\$10 million) with arbitration in London and Singapore;
- acting, successfully, for charterers in an LMAA arbitration involving allegations of dishonesty;
- acting for a mining company in a very high value dispute involving allegations of bribery;
- acting for insurers in a Bermuda Form arbitration (applying New York law) in relation to liabilities arising out of the opioid epidemic in the US; and
- acting in relation to a dispute involving US sanctions.

Joshua has spent time seconded to a law firm in Singapore, where he was instructed on an investor-state dispute and assisted with submissions to the Singapore Court of Appeal on a novel point of law concerning the relationship between a seat court and an enforcement court: **The Republic of India v Deutsche Telekom [2023] SGCA(I) 10**.

Joshua is comfortable receiving instructions and documents in Mandarin Chinese, Bahasa Malaysia, and Bahasa Indonesia.

Expertise

Commercial Litigation

Acting for the War Risks insurance market in the **Russian Aircraft LP Claims [2025] EWHC 1430 (Comm)** and **[2025] EWHC 2529 (Comm)**, concerning the insurance of commercial aircraft leased in Russia (led by Richard Waller KC).

Acting for an energy company, unled, in relation to the disputed repayment of US\$10 million under a deposit agreement.

Acting for insurers in relation to a multi-million-dollar dispute concerning US sanctions law and payment under settlement agreements (led by Jawdat Khurshid).

Acting for charterers in the Commercial Court to resist challenges to an award under s. 68 and s. 69 of the Arbitration Act 1996.

Insurance and Reinsurance

Acting for the War Risks insurance market in the **Russian Aircraft LP Claims [2025] EWHC 1430 (Comm)** and **[2025] EWHC 2529 (Comm)**, concerning the insurance of commercial aircraft leased in Russia (led by Richard Waller KC).

Acting for insurers in a 'Bermuda Form' dispute relating to liabilities arising out of the opioid epidemic in the United States (led by David Edwards KC).

Acting for insurers in relation to a multi-million-dollar dispute concerning US sanctions law and payment under settlement agreements (led by Jawdat Khurshid KC).

Acting for insurers in relation to a political risk policy over substantial assets located in Russia (led by Richard Waller KC).

Advising in relation to a potential claim under a life assurance policy (led by James Brocklebank KC).

International Arbitration

Acting for insurers in a 'Bermuda Form' dispute relating to liabilities arising out of the opioid epidemic in the United States (led by David Edwards KC).

Acting, successfully, for charterers in an LMAA arbitration involving allegations of dishonesty (led by Andrew Pearson).

Acting and advising, unled, in relation to various commercial disputes (including one with a value of US\$10 million) with arbitration in London and Singapore.

Acting for insurers in an LCIA arbitration, which settled, related to a political risk policy over substantial assets located in Russia (led by Richard Waller KC).

Civil Fraud

Acting for a mining company in a very high value dispute involving allegations of bribery.

Acting, successfully, for charterers in an LMAA arbitration involving allegations of dishonesty (led by Andrew Pearson).

Professional Negligence

Advising in relation to a potential claim against solicitors (led by Jawdat Khurshid).

Shipping & Transport

Acting, successfully, for charterers in an LMAA arbitration involving allegations of dishonesty (led by Andrew Pearson).

Acting and advising, unled, in relation to several charterparty disputes with arbitration in Singapore.

Publications

“Beyond Transplantation and Hybridisation: The Distinctiveness of the System of Case Guiding” (2022) 10(1) Peking University Law Journal 75

Languages

Mandarin Chinese, Bahasa Malaysia, Bahasa Indonesia

Education

- B.A. Law, Trinity College, Cambridge (2018): Double First; ranked 4th in cohort for Part IA (first year).
- LL.M., New York University School of Law (2019), with specialization in international law, philosophy, and legal theory.
- BPTC, City University, London (2020): Outstanding.
- M.A. in China Studies (Law & Society), Yenching Academy of Peking University (2022): Excellent; highest GPA in the cohort.

Awards and Scholarships

University of Cambridge

- George Long Prize for Civil (Roman) Law
- CMS Prize for Highest Dissertation Mark

Trinity College, Cambridge

- Senior Scholar (exceptionally elected twice for the duration of undergraduate studies)
- Clark Miller Prize for best performance in the first year of the Law Tripos
- Twice awarded the Lizette Bentwich Prize for excellent performance in the Law Tripos
- Everard Verheyden Dutch Prize for study of European law
- Hollond Fund Travelling Studentship for pursuing an LL.M. in the USA

New York University School of Law

- Dean's Graduate Award

Lincoln's Inn

- Buchanan Prize

Peking University

- Fellowship at the Yenching Academy of Peking University
- T. Chao Asian Scholar, Asian Future Leaders Scholarship
- Yenching Academy Award for Outstanding Academic Performance (Top in Year)
- Peking University Award for Academic Excellence