

David Kinnear Law LLB. (Hons.)

General Information

David Kinnear (1989)
Barrister, Consultant, Mediator & Publisher

Introduction:

David Kinnear undertakes domestic and international commercial and contractual work, drawing on twenty years of international business experience. He brings a lifetime of client-side perspective – calling on his own experiences working not just in the legal industry but in technology, banking, outsourcing, construction, digital media and cybersecurity. He brings substantial experience in corporate restructuring and business re-engineering around advanced uses of technology. He highlights Data Privacy and Cybersecurity as being critical areas of focus for businesses and the source of increasingly complex disputes.

He is a mediator and well known for his uniquely creative disposition and practical problem-solving skills – bringing a calm voice, strong listening skills and a polished presence.

He divides his time between London and New York. He worked for leading law firms Pinsent Masons and Linklaters in London before moving to New York to join Credit Suisse. He spent several years in private litigation practice – largely focused on substantial construction, engineering and commercial real estate disputes. As Counsel and Chief Administrative Officer of the Credit Suisse relocation, he helped negotiate & execute the relocation of Credit Suisse into its (now) NYC global HQ – the iconic Eleven Madison Avenue.

Subsequently, he directed major global outsourcing, shared sourcing, HR operations & process efficiency initiatives including the digitization of records, the global roll-out of PeopleSoft HRMS & Y2K Compliance. David has worked extensively in the UK, US, Philippines, India and China markets in the areas of data management, HR and BPO - and most recently LPO, LegalOps. He is also the publisher of High Performance Counsel (HPC), a digital publication tracking the changes and innovation occurring in the modern legal industry. Prior to the launch of HPC, David was a co-founder of a legaltech company focused on process automation, which was successfully acquired by a leading legal services provider.

Main areas of practice:

- Commercial and contractual disputes
- International
- Business services
- Data Privacy
- Cybersecurity
- Technology
- Startups

Personal:

David is a lifelong Arsenal fan and a keen sailor, completing a Trans-Atlantic in '92. He loves driving tractors and writing poetry.

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