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David Pope has practised as a commercial barrister in London for over 20 years, both at the independent Bar and at Dentons, the international law firm. He is a specialist in banking and finance disputes.

David was a full-time member of Outer Temple Chambers until October 2017. He is now a Senior Visiting Fellow at the UCL Faculty of Laws, where he teaches a course he developed on advocacy and classical rhetoric. He also provides training to lawyers on persuasive writing and speaking.

Main practice areas:

Banking and finance

Banking and finance disputes have been the core of David's practice throughout his career. He has regularly represented UK clearing banks and other domestic and overseas financial institutions. In recent years, he has been instructed in over 15 derivatives mis-selling claims, including *Marshall v. Barclays Bank plc* [2015] EWHC 2000 (QB); [2016] EWCA Civ. 467 and *Marsden v. Barclays Bank plc* [2016] EWHC 1601 (QB); [2016] 2 Lloyd's Rep. 420.

Commercial litigation

David has acted in a wide variety of commercial disputes in the English courts. His work has tended to involve the financial-services, energy and telecommunications industries, but it has recently encompassed claims against a former Premier League footballer (*Léon Lambert v. Christopher Samba* (2014)) and a member of the Abu Dhabi royal family (*Al Nahyan v. Elite Performance Cars Ltd.* [2015] EWHC 950 (QB)).

Commercial arbitration

David has acted in many large commercial arbitrations, particularly under the ICC and LCIA rules. He represented an East African state broadcaster in a long-running US\$2 billion claim arising from the operation of a television channel. He also acted for Le Méridien, the French hotel group, in its successful defence of a High Court challenge to an ICC arbitral award: *Abuja International Hotels Limited v. Meridien SAS* [2012] EWHC 87 (Comm.); [2012] 1 Lloyd's Rep. 461.

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Publications

David has written academic articles in UK and international legal journals. He has also written on legal issues for *The Times*, *The Lawyer*, *Legal Week*, *New Law Journal* and *The Law Society Gazette*.

David co-wrote a student book on mooting (*Mooting and Advocacy Skills*, Sweet & Maxwell, 3rd ed., 2015) that has sold in over 20 countries.

Awards

- Harvard University Frank Knox Memorial Fellowship
- Lincoln's Inn Megarry & Wolfson Scholarships

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