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Andreas Gledhill KC

"Andreas Gledhill KC is a very user-friendly barrister who is great on his feet. He really cuts to the chase in court."

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Year of call: **1992**
Appointed to silk: **2015**
Degree: **MA (Cambridge)**

Andreas Gledhill KC is a commercial litigator, with particular expertise in finance disputes, fraud and asset recovery. He has been ranked as a leading practitioner in the independent guides for over 25 years. He is currently ranked in Band 1 for both Restructuring/Insolvency and Company in the Chambers UK Bar Legal Guide 2026, and was awarded Company/Insolvency Silk of the Year at the Chambers UK Bar Awards 2023 (having previously been nominated twice for the same award).

Before taking silk, Andreas was a leading junior in insolvency and companies litigation, and a contributor to practitioner textbooks in those fields. He is now instructed across a wide range of high value commercial litigation, in which he is equally at home arguing cutting-edge points of law, and handling document-heavy High Court trials.

Andreas is described by Chambers & Partners 2024 as a "brilliant legal mind", and by Chambers & Partners 2023 as "beautiful to watch in court especially when handling really challenging cases". He wins particular praise for his incisive cross-examinations, often in the context of complex and technical subject-matter. He frequently leads large teams, and takes a hands-on approach to shaping strategy from the outset, to facilitate out-of-court settlement before trial, whenever possible.

Andreas has appeared as an expert witness on English law in overseas courts, and is regularly instructed in domestic and international arbitrations. His innovative and intellectually rigorous approach is also sought out for advisory work by corporates, financial institutions, and regulatory bodies.

EXPERIENCE

Commercial

Andreas acts in large-scale commercial litigation, frequently involving issues of fraud and mis-selling, and often with an international element. Notable cases over the last few years include:

"A superb advocate who is refreshingly easy to work with and builds easy rapport with clients."

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Cases

Liberty France Industries Pte. Ltd. v. Lightship Capital II (LLC)

(2021-2024)

Instructed by a US private equity firm in a US$800m claim concerning the enforcement of a Luxembourg share pledge, arising out of the Gupta Family Group's financial difficulties.

Deposit Guarantee Fund for Individuals v. Bank Frick & Co AG

[2022] EWHC 2221

Instructed for the defendant Liechtenstein bank in proceedings brought by a deposit protection scheme in respect of an alleged fraud by the officers of an insolvent Ukrainian retail bank.

Everest Alliance Ltd v. Maslovskiy

[2020] EWHC 3160 (Ch)

Instructed for the defendants in proceedings concerning the convening of a shareholder meeting in respect of a company with a listing on the London Stock Exchange.

Galapagos Bidco SARL v. Kebekus

[2021] EWHC 68 (Ch)

Instructed for one of the defendants in English proceedings concerning a €1.2 billion German debt restructuring, and associated jurisdiction challenge.

Debussy DTC plc v. Toys R Us Properties (UK) Ltd

[2019] EWHC 1035

Instructed for the special servicer in a dispute concerning the disposal of the property portfolio of the collapsed retailer, Toys R Us.

In re Harlequin Property SVG Ltd (in bankruptcy); Glasgow v. ELS

[2018] 1 W.L.R. 1564

Instructed for the claimant in a dispute arising out of a failed property investment scheme in the Caribbean, concerning (among other things) litigation funders' rights to claim proceeds.

Re Connaught Income Fund Series 1 (in liquidation)

[2015] 1 BCLC 241

Instructed for the claimant liquidators of an unregistered collective investment scheme in relation to a £100m mis-selling claim.

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MF Global UK Ltd v. MF Global, Inc

(2013) 1 W.L.R. 903

Instructed for MF Global Inc on a range of issues arising out of the MF Global collapse, including a dispute concerning construction of the standard-form Global Master Repurchase Agreement.

UC Rusal plc v. Corbiere Holdings Ltd

(2012-2013)

Instructed for UC Rusal in proceedings in the Caribbean, concerning ownership of the Russian nickel mining giant, OJSC Norilsk Nickel.

Restructuring & Insolvency

Andreas has been involved in most of the high profile corporate collapses of the last 25 years, including Greensill, Comet, Arcadia, Toys R Us, Monarch Airlines, MF Global, EMI, Lehman, and Kaupthing. Notable recent cases include:

"He is one of the best advocates in the country."

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Cases

Attorney-General of the BVI v. Bright Team Global and others

(2026-ongoing)

Instructed for the respondents to a group of 30 public interest winding-up petitions, brought by the Attorney-General in light of UK/US sanctions and US criminal and forfeiture proceedings.

Secretary of State v. Greensill

(2024-ongoing)

Instructed by the defendant in high-profile director disqualification proceedings brought by the Secretary of State, following the 2021 Greensill collapse.

In re a Company

(2024-ongoing)

Instructed by the defendant in a £450m claim under the IA86 clawback provisions, following the restructuring of a nationwide portfolio of retail assets.

Darty Holdings SAS v. Carton-Kelly

[2023] EWCA Civ 1135

Instructed by the claimant liquidator in a £120m IA86 s.239 preference claim, arising out of the collapse of the electrical retailer, Comet.

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Re CB&I UK Ltd

[2023] EWHC 2987 (Ch)

Instructed for an ad hoc lender group in relation to the CA06 part 26A restructuring plan proposed by the McDermott Group.

Re Katerra, Inc. (in bankruptcy)

(2021)

Instructed as an expert witness on English insolvency law in connection with Texas chapter 11 proceedings in respect of a US construction company.

Re Luckin Coffee, Inc. (in provisional liquidation)

(2021)

Instructed on behalf of various US creditors with investment mis-selling claims in relation to the Cayman scheme of arrangement of a US listed company.

Re Lendy Limited (in administration)

[2021] EWHC 2285 (Ch)

Instructed for representative investors with proprietary claims in relation to their treatment in the insolvency of a collapsed peer-to-peer lender.

Re Cambridge Analytica Ltd

[2019] EWHC 1035 (Ch)

Instructed for creditors seeking to remove the liquidators of the collapsed Cambridge Analytica group.

Nordic Trustee ASA v. OGX Petróleo e Gás SA

[2016] Bus. L.R. 121

Instructed by the applicant in an application to discharge an UNCITRAL recognition order in England in respect of Brazil's then largest insolvency.

Company

Andreas has considerable experience of company law litigation, with a particular focus on unfair prejudice petitions, derivative claims, boardroom disputes, and claims arising out of M&A transactions. Notable recent examples are as follows:

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Cases

Re Clearview Homes Ltd
(2023-2024)

Instructed by the respondent to unfair prejudice proceedings brought in respect of a commercial property development company.

Pender v. GGH (Jersey) Ltd
[2023] JRC 124

Advising the respondent to unfair prejudice proceedings in Jersey, concerning a failed joint venture in the financial services sector.

Re Witanhurst Construction Management Ltd
(2021-2022)

Instructed for the respondent in unfair proceedings concerning the development of the largest private residence in the UK.

Re Compound Photonics Group Limited
[2022] EWCA Civ 1371

Instructed for the successful appellant, following the trial of an unfair prejudice petition (this is now the leading appellate authority on the scope of a contractual duty of good faith).

A v. B
(2021-2022)

Instructed for the defendant to a US$700m LCIA claim concerning the abortive acquisition of a division of a UK listed company by a US private equity firm.

UTB LLC v. Sheffield United Limited
(2019) EWHC 2322 (Ch)

Instructed for the successful claimant (a member of the Saudi Royal family) in a shareholder dispute concerning ownership of a Premiership football club.

Re Craymer East Limited
(2016-2017)

Advising the respondent to an unfair prejudice petition concerning the rights to the proceeds of the stage musical and film, Mama Mia!

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Allers v. Anno 11 GmbH

[2016] EWHC 388 (Ch)

Instructed for the defendants in a dispute concerning the interpretation of mandatory buy-out provisions in a share sale agreement.

Eclairs Group Ltd v. JKX Oil & Gas plc

[2015] UKSC 71

Instructed for the claimants on a successful appeal to the Supreme Court concerning restriction notices served under CA06 s.793 (the leading modern appellate authority on the "proper purposes" principle).

Arbitration

Andreas has significant experience of high-value domestic and international arbitration under various rules (including LCIA, UNCITRAL, and ICSID) in a broad range of commercial sectors (public procurement, energy, insurance, telecoms, IT and construction). Notable cases from the last 10 years include:

Cases

X v. Y

(2020-current)

Instructed for the claimant in an LCIA arbitration concerning a failed debt restructuring and collateral property/energy joint ventures.

Re a premiership football club

(2020)

Instructed in an arbitration to resolve the value of a complex property portfolio, following the exercise of put options in the context of a shareholder exit.

Haven Insurance Ltd v. EUI Limited

[2018] EWCA Civ 2494

Instructed for the appellant in proceedings concerning construction of the articles of the Motor Insurers Bureau, and the discretion to permit commencement of a reference out of time.

Re a telecoms arbitration

(2016-2017)

Instructed for the claimants in an UNCITRAL arbitration, concerning recovery of amounts due under a telecoms co-location agreement.

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Agility for Public Warehousing Co KSC v. Pakistan

(2015)

Instructed for the respondent government in a US$600m ICSID claim concerning an abortive public procurement contract.

Re an oil & gas arbitration

(2012-2015)

Instructed on behalf of a major oil and gas multinational in relation to a dispute between it and a government as to their respective contractual rights.

ACHIEVEMENTS

Education

MA (Cambridge)

Publications

Andreas was formerly a contributor to the loose-leaf works, Gore-Browne on Companies, and Muir Hunter on Personal Insolvency.

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