Falcon Chambers

Joseph Ollech

Called 2006



Practice Summary

Joe has a busy practice specialising in real estate litigation and arbitration, and is ranked as a leading junior in the Legal 500 and Chambers & Partners directories. His practice encompasses all real property related work including:

- Commercial, agricultural and residential landlord and tenant
- Trusts and co-ownership
- Mortgages
- Rent review
- Land registration
- Restrictive covenants and easements
- Options and development agreements
- Adverse possession and boundary disputes
- Mineral rights and rights to light

His practice also encompasses a variety of crossover specialisms relating to:

- Riparian and coastal land
- Harbours and marinas
- Partnership law
- Transport and infrastructure
- Energy and environment
- Open access rights
- Company and insolvency law
- Drainage and utilities
- Nuisance, land contamination and property damage

He has significant experience in complex cases involving large institutional clients from both the public and private sector, including local authorities, the Port of London Authority, transport operators, Premiership and non-league football clubs and stadiums. In addition Joseph often deals with professional negligence matters

that arise in connection with his area of expertise.

He is a committee member of the Chancery Bar Association.

Education

- London School of Economics BSc in International Relations and History (1st Class Hons).
- College of Law Postgraduate Diploma in Law (Distinction).

Professional

- Bar Vocational Course (Outstanding)
- Buchanan Prize Lincoln's Inn 2006 BVC Result Award
- Lord Brougham Scholar Lincoln's Inn 2005
- Lord Denning Scholar Lincoln's Inn 2006

Significant Cases

Dudman Aggregates Properties Ltd v West Sussex County Council PT-2025-000569

The Proprietors, Strata Plan No.79 v Cayman Shores Development Ltd [2025] UKPC 27

BL Goodman (General Partner) Ltd v Morris Homes (Midlands) Ltd [2024] EWHC 1229 (Ch)

TFS Stores Ltd v The Designer Retail Outlet Centres (Mansfield) General Partner Ltd & Ors (No.2) [2021] EWCA Civ 688; [2021] Bus LR 1407

Kirby v Preston [2021] FTT (ALD/M/S/2020/005)

TFS Stores Ltd v The Designer Retail Outlet Centres (Mansfield) General Partner Ltd & Ors (No.1) [2020] EWCA Civ 833; ([2020] 4 WLR 99

Herefordshire Council v Bayliss [2019] FTT (ALD/M/NQ/2018/002)

TFS Stores Ltd v The Designer Retail Outlet Centres (Mansfield) General Partner Ltd & Ors [2019] EWHC 1363 (Ch); ([2019] Bus LR 1970

URT Group Ltd & Ors v Dowers & Ors [2018] EWHC 3195 (Ch)

Abdulla v Whelan & Ors [2017] EWHC 605 (Ch); ([2017] 1 WLR 3318

Couper & Ors v Albion Properties Ltd & Ors [2017] EWHC (Ch) 22

Matier v Christchurch Gardens (Epsom) Ltd [2017] UKUT 56 (LC)

Chetwynd & Anor v Tunmore & Anor [2016] EWHC 156 (QB); ([2016] 3 WLR 1159

Kingston upon Hull City Council v Superstadium Management Company Ltd [2015] EW Misc B29 (CC)

Alexandra Savouri v Georga & Georga [2015] UKFTT 154 (PC)

Okadigbo & Anor v Chan & Anor [2014] EWHC 4729 (QB)

Sutton LBC v Theowal Ltd [2014] 7 WLUK 964

Norton Arms Bowls Club v Spirit Pub Company (Leased) Limited [2014] FTT 992 (PC)

Couper & Ors v Albion Properties Ltd & Ors [2013] EWHC 2993

Westley et al v Camden Motors (Holdings) Ltd HC-2013-000339

Clayton v Candiva Enterprises Ltd [2013] WLUK 242

Charles Terence Estates Ltd v Cornwall Council [2012] EWCA Civ 1439 ([2012] EWCA Civ 1439, [2013] 1 WLR 466

Edwards & Walkden (Norfolk) Ltd & Ors v City of London [2012] EWHC (Ch) 2527

Garguilo & Garguilo v Gershinson & Brooks (LPA Receivers) [2012] EWLandRA 2011_0377

Charles Terence Estates Ltd v Cornwall Council & Anor [2011] EWHC 2542

Pennock & Anor v Hodgson [2010] EWCA Civ 873; [2010] N.P.C. 87

Publications

- Editor, Halsbury's Laws Boundaries (Volume 4 (2020))
- Editor, Halsbury’s Laws Real Property and Registration (Volume.87 (2022))
- Editor, Atkin’s Court Forms (Volume 34(1)) Restrictive Covenants, Sale of Land, and Sale under Court Direction
- Contributor to the New Law Journal, Estates Gazette and Woodfall: Landlord and Tenant Bulletin on real estate/landlord and tenant issues.

Memberships

- Chancery Bar Association
- Property Bar Association
- Agricultural Law Association

Published Comments

"*Joseph Ollech has a robust real estate litigation practice and wide experience of disputes arising under the 1954 Act. He is instructed in cases concerning restrictive covenants, easements, riparian rights claims and boundary disputes, and is also an expert in property-related company and insolvency law.*" **Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2025 (Real Estate Litigation)**

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"*Stands out for his willingness to make bold decisions and recommend a clear course of action*". **Legal 500, 2017**

"*He is very approachable, very bright and highly responsive.*" **Chambers UK Guide, 2017 (Real Estate Litigation)**

"*In a set of chambers where everyone is clever, one always senses that Joe would rank amongst the very cleverest. His advisory work is outstanding.*" **Chambers UK Guide, 2017 (Agriculture & Rural Affairs)**

"*He has a very robust approach and shows real intellectual grasp of the issues in a case, providing practical advice.*" **Legal 500, 2016**

"*Tackles a broad range of matters concerning landlord and tenant, real property and land law issues. He has niche expertise in enfranchisement, riverine and coastal land cases. He is very good with clients. A nice, calm, safe pair of hands.*" **Chambers UK, 2016**

"*Excellent at grasping the key issues in a case quickly*". **Legal 500, 2015**

"*Handles disputes regarding commercial, residential and agricultural property. He also has a specialist niche in riverine property disputes, and professional negligence-related issues. He is able and affable, and knows his stuff. He doesn't give any quarter in court.*" **Chambers UK, 2015**

"*An excellent and very responsive junior with a very bright future ahead.*" **Legal 500, 2014**

"One to watch. He’s clever, user friendly, keen". **Chambers UK, 2014**

"*Joseph Ollech has a bright future, and is described as 'a brilliant advocate who is immediately able to cut to the heart of issues'. He focuses on commercial and residential landlord and tenant disputes, and has a firm knowledge of attendant commercial and insolvency law.*" **Chambers UK, 2013**

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"A fast thinker, clear in his advocacy, and well prepared... He has certainly become our 'go-to' counsel for property litigation advice." *Legal 500 UK Bar Guide 2027 (Property Litigation)*

"[Joseph] is extremely knowledgeable and strategic in his thinking, and excellent on his feet at court. He is commercial and practical, but also personable." *Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2027 (Real Estate Litigation)*

"He's simply superb. Joseph is extremely conscientious and fantastic on valuation. He was a great support in the case we had with him." *Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2027 (Real Estate Litigation)*

"Joseph combines a warm and engaging manner with incisive, perceptive and pragmatic advice. He cuts quickly to the heart of the issues and navigates complex matters with impressive ease. He is a calm and composed advocate, with a well-practised and assured style that inspires confidence." *Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2027 (Real Estate Litigation)*
"He relishes tackling complex legal issues and delivers advice that is thoughtful, commercially focused, and

strategically astute - consistently proving indispensable." *Legal 500 UK Bar Guide 2027 (Agriculture)*

"Joseph combines a welcoming, personable approach with a natural sense of humour, enabling him to build strong rapport with both instructing solicitors and clients." *Legal 500 UK Bar Guide 2027 (Agriculture)*

"Joseph Ollech has an eye for detail, is thorough, pragmatic, technically brilliant and easy to work with." *Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2026 (Agriculture & Rural Affairs)*

"The quality of Joseph's written submissions was excellent and he is able to cut through complex and technical issues and articulate them in his submissions in a persuasive and succinct manner." *Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2026 (Real Estate Litigation)*

"Joseph Ollech is an excellent advocate who instils great confidence in clients." *Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2026 (Agriculture & Rural Affairs)*

"Joe is great. He is always pragmatic and a strategic thinker." *Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2026 (Agriculture & Rural Affairs)*

"He knows the law and can deliver advice with a clear strategy in mind." *Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2026 (Real Estate Litigation)*

"He is bright, personable and laser-focused. He excels in unravelling knotty problems." *Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2026 (Agriculture & Rural Affairs)*

"Joseph has that rare and appreciated ability to make clients feel at ease in litigation." *Chambers and Partners UK Bar Guide 2026 (Real Estate Litigation)*

"Joseph is a delight. He is very bright and an excellent strategist." *Legal 500 UK Bar Guide 2026 (Property Litigation)*

"Very knowledgeable, but applies that knowledge practically without advice being overly academic." *Legal 500 UK Bar Guide 2026 (Agriculture)*

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