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Kendrah Potts – Mediator

“ Always looks to resolve the case in the most commercially astute manner. ”

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OVERVIEW

Kendrah has a broad practice that covers commercial litigation, international arbitration and sports law.

Kendrah worked as a solicitor for eleven years before being called to the Bar. She spent eight years at Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer before joining Onside Law, where she was a Partner and Head of Litigation, and subsequently Mishcon de Reya as a Legal Director. Kendrah also spent time on secondment in-house at the London Organising Committee for the Olympic and Paralympic Games.

Kendrah has worked on a wide range of commercial disputes across different industries, including energy, sport, pharmaceuticals and financial services. She regularly works on cases involving allegations of corruption or fraudulent conduct and on disputes involving issues of contractual interpretation. Kendrah often works on cases that have an international dimension. Kendrah is fluent in Spanish and French.

STYLE AND APPROACH

Kendrah is recognised in the directories as taking a commercial and client friendly approach to litigation. This is an approach that she brings to mediation.

Kendrah's experience as a solicitor in private practice and in-house provided her with an in-depth understanding of the commercial realities in which parties operate, as well as the pressures of litigation. Kendrah draws on this experience to explore the underlying issues of the parties, which is often crucial to facilitating settlement.

EXPERTISE

- Commercial disputes
- Sport & leisure
- Media & entertainment
- Energy & natural resources

EXPERIENCE

As arbitrator and mediator:

- Sport Resolutions Panel of Arbitrators, including commercial disputes between agents, clubs and players.
- Sport Resolutions Panel of Mediators, including a recent mediation between a team and a federation.
- Union Cycliste Internationale, chair and wing member on panels (both disciplinary and commercial disputes).
- British Equestrian Federation, chair of panels.

As counsel, recent cases include:

- Sole advocate acting on the defence of a \$25million breach of contract claim concerning international broadcast rights (arbitration).

- Advising on the defence of a breach of contract claim for £20 million arising out of a SPA, including successfully defending a summary judgment application turning on matters of contractual interpretation (Damoco (Bermuda) Limited and Others v Atlanta Bidco Limited [2020] EWHC 501 (Comm) (Led by Graham Chapman QC).
- Instructed for the First Defendant in the matter of Public Institution for Social Security v Al Rajaan & Others. The case, involving claims for over \$800 million, arises out of alleged payments of secret commissions. (Led by Tom Weisselberg QC).
- Acting as sole advocate on the defence of a £10million breach of contract claim and a counterclaim for misrepresentation and mistake (arbitration).
- Sole counsel instructed on a challenge to an arbitration award pursuant to sections 67 and 68 of the Arbitration Act.
- Acting for Daniel Sturridge in his defence of charges under The FA Betting Regulations.
- Acting for Birmingham City FC in its defence of a misconduct charge relating to the EFL financial fair play regulations.
- Acting for the Governing Bodies of Tennis in respect of match-fixing and corrupt betting cases.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- BA in Law with French Law, Oxford University.
- MA (Oxon).

CAREER HISTORY

- 2017 4 New Square.
- 2015 Mishcon de Reya LLP.
- 2012 Onside Law.
- 2004 Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP.

ACCREDITATION

- CEDR accredited mediator.

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