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Practice Summary

Neil King KC was called to the Bar in 1980 and took silk in 2000. He joined 2 Mitre Court Buildings in 1982 and moved to Landmark Chambers in December 2003. He specialises in all aspects of Town and Country Planning, Environmental and Compulsory Purchase and Compensation law.

Neil has appeared at numerous public inquiries, in the Lands Tribunal, the High Court and Court of Appeal. Planning cases include airport and other infrastructure projects; proposals for waste incineration, landfill and quarrying; tall building proposals in London, including London Bridge Tower (the 'Shards of Glass'), Doon Street tower and at Old Street/City Road; and many retail, warehouse club, hotel and housing schemes. Recent compulsory purchase cases include 10 major retail-led city and town centre redevelopment schemes. He has also advised on a wide range of compensation issues arising from the acquisition of land for regeneration, rail, road and flood relief schemes.

High Court and Court of Appeal cases include R (Al Fayed) v Tandridge DC (telecoms mast development), LB Hillingdon v ARC (limitation/estoppel on compensation claim), R (Lowther) v Durham CC (use of waste as a fuel), R (Hautot) v LB Wandsworth (validity of Battersea Power Station planning permissions), UKRA v Secretary of State (lawfulness of guidance on EPA conditions), and R (Friends of Lake District) v Secretary of State (power to withdraw call-in).

Qualifications

Neil studied Modern History and Economics at New College, Oxford. He is a member of the Planning and Environmental Bar Association.

Recommendations

Neil provides clear advice in a user-friendly manner

Chambers & Partners, Planning, 2022

He gives clear strategic direction, he manages difficult clients and large teams very well, and he's very collaborative with solicitors." "He's a really good performer.

Chambers & Partners, Planning, 2021

Very personable with a good sense of humour, inclusive, makes himself available, adept at dealing with large client/project teams, gives a clear direction of travel at the outset.

Legal 500, Planning, 2021

Earlier recommendations from Chambers & Partners include "unflappable" and "a class act who masters complex and demanding situations very quickly.

Chambers & Partners, Planning, 2021

He has also been consistently ranked amongst the top five planning barristers by the annual Planning Magazine Law Survey.

Chambers & Partners, Planning, 2021