

MAIN AREAS OF PRACTICE:

Arbitration Commerical Law Crime Employment Law EU Law Human Rights Medical Negligence Personal Injuries Law Public Law Sports Law Regulation

Called to the Bar: 2000

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PAUL CHRISTOPHER

Paul has experience of diverse commercial and public law matters, with particular interests in regulatory and administrative matters, employment and sports disputes and immigration and human rights.

Paul has been instructed by a range of clients in both the public and private sectors, advising government departments including the HSE and Department of Justice. Paul was appointed to the HSE junior counsel panel in 2010.

In addition to his work as a junior at all levels of the court system up to the Irish Supreme Court, Paul has appeared led and unled in the Court of Appeal, the High Court, the Central Criminal Court, the Labour Court, the Refugee Appeals Tribunal, the Circuit and Dsitrict Courts, the Coroner's Court, the Appeals and Referrals Committee of the Irish Turf Club, the Appeal Board of the Football Association of Ireland as well as in insurance and consumer arbitrations. He has also acted for both employees and employers at internal employment disciplinary tribunals and hearings and at mediations.

Paul was previously a member of the Refugee Appeals Tribunal, having delivered over 500 written decisions during his tenure. He is currently the Chairperson of the Private Security Appeals Board. He is also a Vetting Bureau Appeals Officer and an Appeals Officer under the Lobbying Act.

Paul has lectured and tutored widely on matters within his expertise, including on Arbitration Law at the Honorable Society of King's Inns and Constitutional and Administrative Law at University College Cork. He is a former editor of the Tax Appeals Commission Reports.

REPORTED CASES

Duffy v. Ridley Properties [2008] 4 I.R. 282

PUBLICATIONS

Asylum and Immigration Law Yearbook (2010), Firstlaw. The Monti Reform of Competition Law – New Rules for Enforcement, (2001) 6 (6) Bar Review 333.

LANGUAGES:

French Fluent (spoken) German Basic

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

2021: Qualified mediator 2020: Appointed to the Attorney General's junior counsel panel 2010: Appointed to the HSE junior counsel general panel 2010: Appointed to the HSE medical negligence panel 2000: Called to the Bar of Ireland

ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS

2021: Certificate in Mediation
2014: Certificate in Copyright Law, Harvard University
2000: Barrister at Law (King's Inns)
1998: Diploma in Law (King's Inns)
1996: Recipient of Centre for Economic Policy
Research grant to ECPR Summer School in Social
Science Data Analysis, Essex University
1995: MA (Hons) (Political Science), Dundee University

Paul is regulated by the Legal Services Regulatory Authority and accepts instructions under Standard Contractual Terms.