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Biography

Described as a 'public law guru' by Legal 500, Charles Brasted works at the intersection of business, law and policy.

He helps businesses engage effectively in the making of the laws, regulations and policies that affect them. He also helps governments, regulators and other policymakers to take robust decisions.

Charles is a seasoned litigator and a Solicitor Advocate whose practice is underpinned by his experience of acting in commercial judicial reviews and other legal challenges before UK Courts and tribunals, the European Court of Justice and the European Court of Human Rights. His experience spans a wide range of industries, acting for claimants, defendants and interested parties in high-profile and complex matters in heavily regulated sectors such as energy, financial services, gambling, life sciences, media and telecoms. Charles uses that experience to help clients to develop and deliver comprehensive strategies that combine effective and timely policy advocacy with hard-edged legal arguments based on UK constitutional and administrative law, EU law, international law and human rights law.

As head of our public law and policy practice, Charles has been at the forefront of developing our innovative



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Practices

Administrative and Public Law

Gaming Law

Government Relations and Public Affairs

Litigation Services

Business and Human Rights

Industries

Aerospace, Defense, and Government Services

Automotive and Mobility

Diversified Industrials

Energy and Natural Resources

approach to government relations policy advocacy, which brings together legal knowledge, dispute resolution experience and public affairs skills in a seamless team. That is why we are the only firm top-ranked by Chambers UK for both Administrative and Public Law and Public Affairs. Charles is recognised as a leading practitioner in both areas.

Charles also plays a leading role in our Brexit Taskforce (ranked in Tier 1 in Legal 500 UK 2017), providing thought leadership and advice to our clients on the legal, commercial and policy implications and constitutional processes.

Representative experience

Acting for Uber in judicial review and other proceedings to support the growth of its innovative service in regulated markets.

Advising The Crown Estate on design and drafting of the legislative package to deliver Scottish devolution and related constitutional issues.

Acting for a US-based life sciences innovator to secure patient access to a life-saving treatment for an ultra-rare disease.

Develop and advocating for legally and politically credible policy approaches to the impact of Brexit in heavily-regulated sectors.

Acting for oil drilling companies in a judicial review challenge and CJEU proceedings against primary legislation imposing additional tax burden.

Acting for Libyan State institutions to establish constitutional basis for control of assets, including releasing monies subject to sanctions.

Advising on Freedom of Information Act requests for details of communications with the UK Government in relation to Brexit.

Financial Institutions

Life Sciences and Health Care

TMT

Areas of focus

Aviation Legislation and Policy

Brexit

IERP Dispute Resolution

Foreign Government Representation

Judicial Review

Legislation

Political Law Compliance

UK Administrative Law

UK Parliamentary Affairs

Education and admissions

Education

M.A. (Cantab), University of Cambridge

Acting in successful UK and European Court of Human Rights proceedings to recover monies owed by a Ukrainian State-owned entity.

Advising a disruptive business on strategies to make the regulatory environment fit for purpose and promote fair competition.

Acting for Stansted Airport in successfully securing first de-regulation of an airport by the CAA under the Airports Act 2012.

Advising Ofgem on major regulatory projects, including smart metering, environmental programmes and industry code reform.

Acting for the Gibraltar Gambling Commissioner in a judicial review against introduction of extra-territorial regulation of remote gambling operators.

Advising a financial institution on obtaining a judicial declaration of the law in a complex financial services regulatory context.

Advising NATS on public law and regulatory issues, including engagement and litigation, relating to aviation economic, safety and environmental matters.

Acting for a mobile network operator in judicial review and CAT proceedings challenging Ofcom's proposed auction of next-generation radio spectrum.

Acting for the BT Pension Scheme in relation to State aid, regulatory and legislative issues arising from Crown guarantee.

Acting for Ofgem in resisting a number of legal challenges, including the first CMA code modification appeal.

Advising the UK Government on public law and legislative issues relating to the monetisation of the student loans portfolio.

Advising the Iceland Government on potential legal

Memberships

Constitutional and Administrative Law Bar Association

UK Association for European Law (Committee member)

Human Rights Lawyers' Association

City of London Solicitors' Company (Liveryman)

TheCityUK, Committee Member (Public Affairs Group)

Bar admissions and qualifications

Solicitor, England and Wales

Solicitor, Republic of Ireland

Court admissions

Ireland

Senior Courts of England and Wales

Accolades

'an exceptionally intelligent public lawyer whose analysis is superb'

Chambers UK

'Charles Brasted offers clear analytical thinking on judicial review issues and is available at the drop of a hat. ... He knows the law fantastically, has a good sense of what happens in litigation, and good judgement.'

challenges to, and international engagement regarding, UK's response to the banking crisis.

Chambers UK

Advising a European life sciences business on a legal challenge against the European Commission before the CJEU.

"He has a really good eye for litigation. He has a great understanding of the law and also great tactical sense."

Chambers UK

Awards and rankings

- Hot 100, *The Lawyer*, 2019
- Administrative and Public Law (Band 1), *Chambers UK*, 2018
- Parliamentary and Public Affairs (Band 1), *Chambers UK*, 2018
- Administrative and Public Law (Band 2), *Chambers UK*, 2017
- Parliamentary and Public Affairs (Band 1), *Chambers UK*, 2017
- Administrative and Public Law (Tier 1), *Legal 500*, 2017
- Brexit, *Legal 500 UK*, 2017
- Public International Law (Tier 2), *Legal 500 UK*, 2017
- Administrative and Public Law, *SuperLawyers*, 2017
- Acritas Stars, *Acritas Stars Independently Rated Lawyers*, 2017-2019
- Pro Bono Team of the Year, *Lawyer Awards*, 2012

'One of the best in the country ... an exceptional individual and professional'

Legal 500

Latest thinking and events

- Press Releases
 - Upcoming Brexit Meaningful Vote – comment from Hogan Lovells
- Webinar
 - Brexit 2020 Webinar Series – Webinar 4: High-tech heaven? The prospects for technology and tech investment in post-Brexit Britain
- Webinar

- Brexit 2020 Webinar Series – Webinar 3: The Clock is Ticking
- Webinar
 - Brexit 2020 Webinar Series – Webinar 5: Brexit effect: UK Budget takeaways and Brexit's impact on cross-border litigation
- Hogan Lovells Publications
 - Brexit FAQs: Entering the transition period - 31 January 2020
- Webinar
 - Brexit 2020 Webinar Series – Webinar 2: Engaging with the Exit Process