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Areas of Practice

Damages & Reparation, Land & Property, Public Law & Equality

Profile

Kirsty has a varied civil litigation practice at the Scots Bar, encompassing commercial, reparation, and contentious property and executry, cases. Her particular expertise, however, is in private international law (i.e., dealing with questions of jurisdiction, choice of law, and recognition & enforcement, arising across the spectrum of private law). She is recognised as an expert in intra-UK private international law matters, having written the leading textbook on this subject (Conflict of Laws within the UK (OUP)). Her publications are in the area of private international law (and its interaction with the UK's constitutional structure), and court practice and procedure. In October 2014, she became the first woman to be elected as Clerk of Faculty at the Faculty of Advocates: a position she held until April 2019.

Qualifications

LL.B (First Class Hons) (University of Glasgow)
Dip LP (with Distinction) (University of Glasgow)
PhD (University of Glasgow)
Called to the Bar in England and Wales 2021

Representative Cases

Stringfellow v Showmen's Guild of Great Britain 2017 SLT 483
Taylor Clark Leisure plc v Commissioners for HMRC 2015 SC 595
Ryder v Highland Council 2013 SLT 847
Santander UK plc v Keeper of the Registers of Scotland 2013 SLT 362
F v S 2012 SLT (Sh Ct) 189
Royal Bank of Scotland plc v Davidson 2010 SLT 92
Fowler v Falkirk Council 2005 SLT 404

Author of Conflict of Laws within the UK (OUP, 2007). Kirsty's publications are in the area of international private law (and its interaction with the UK's constitutional structure) and court procedure.

Appointments

Appointed to Guernsey Financial Services Commission's Panel of Senior Decision Makers (Aug. 2016)

Mental Health Tribunal for Scotland: Legal Member (Dec. 2021 to date)

Scottish Courts and Tribunals Service Board: Advocate Member (2014 – 2021)

Clerk of Faculty, Faculty of Advocates (2014 – 2019)

Clerk to the Examiners & Depute Clerk, Faculty of Advocates (2009 – 2014)

Civil Courts Review: was a Member of the Policy Group (2007 – 2009)

Have delivered lectures/seminars to university undergraduates on the International Family Law Honours course, and Civil Jurisdiction & Evidence course (University of Glasgow), and the International Private Law Honours course (University of Edinburgh)

Memberships

Member of the Lord Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Private International Law (Jan. 2021 to date)

Member of the Franco-British Lawyers Society (Secretary of Scottish Committee: 2006 – 2014)