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## KEY SERVICES

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## EXPERIENCE

A solicitor advocate, Andrew has considerable experience assisting clients in relation to a wide range of regulatory/public law and other commercial disputes.

His public law practice includes judicial review, professional regulation, public inquiries, human rights and freedom of information issues.

Andrew has worked with clients in numerous sectors including accountancy, consumer products, financial regulation, gambling including casinos and lotteries, gas and electricity, health, local government, pensions, planning and environment, professional discipline, public sector projects, tax, telecoms and broadcasting, transport and water.

He is the author of numerous publications. In particular, he has written the book *Company Investigations and Public Law* about Department of Trade and Industry (now the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy) investigations, and is responsible for the judicial review, human rights and references to the Court of Justice of the EU chapters in *Blackstone's Civil Practice*. Andrew is also on the advisory board for the leading judicial review journal JR.

Andrew is listed as a band 1 leader in both administrative and public law and professional discipline in both *Chambers and Partners* and *Legal 500*.

Andrew's experience includes advising:

- KPMG: acting in the successful defence of a judicial review in the Court of Appeal concerning KPMG's independent review of a UK bank following allegations of failings in the sale of Interest Rate Hedging Products
- Westfield & Hammerson: successfully defending both interested parties against judicial review proceedings in relation to the grant of planning permission for the redevelopment of the Whitgift Centre in Croydon
- Horserace Betting Levy Board: successfully defending a judicial review in the Court of Appeal concerning whether customers of betting exchanges can constitute "bookmakers"
- Pearson / Edexcel: acting in the successful defence of a judicial review concerning GCSE English grade boundaries in Summer 2012
- Public Law Project: intervening in a case in the Supreme Court concerning the scope of judicial review of the Upper Tribunal