

**THE RIGHT HON SIR GARY HICKINBOTTOM**

**CURRICULUM VITAE**

1. **Date of Birth**

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2. **Education**

Queen Mary's Grammar School, Walsall (1967-74)  
University College, Oxford (1975-78)  
    Law Moderations with Distinction (1976)  
    Open Scholarship (1976-78)  
    BA Jurisprudence (1st Class Hons) (1978)  
    MA (1982)  
College of Law, Guildford and Chester (1978-79)  
    Law Society Part II Exams (passed with Distinction in Revenue Law) (1979)  
Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (1995-6)  
    Diploma in International Commercial Arbitration (DipICArb) (1996)

3. **Professional Qualifications**

Solicitor (1981)  
Solicitor Advocate (All Higher Courts) (1997)  
Fellow of the Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (1995)  
Mediator (Registered with the Academy of Experts: 1991)

4. **Employment Record**

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Establishment</b>
1975-78	Clerk, Challinor & Roberts Solicitors, Smethwick.
1979-81	Articled clerk, McKenna & Co Solicitors, London
1980-81	Lecturer, Polytechnic of Central London (now University of Westminster) School of Law. Part-time lecturer in Trusts, Land Law and English Legal System
1981-86	Assistant Solicitor, McKenna & Co.
1986-2000	Partner, CMS Cameron McKenna (McKenna & Co to 1997).
1987-89	Lecturer, University College, Oxford. Part-time tutor in trusts/charities.
1994-2000	Parking and Traffic Adjudicator for the (London) Parking Appeals Service, the (London) Traffic Appeals Service and the National Adjudication Parking Service of England & Wales.
1994-2000	Recorder (Assistant Recorder to 1998). Authorised to sit on criminal, civil and private family work in the Crown and County Courts (Wales &

Chester Circuit).

1998-99 Tutor, Judicial Studies Board. Human Rights Act Course tutor.

2000 Assistant Commissioner, Boundary Commission of England

2000-03 Circuit Judge. Resident civil judge at Swansea Civil Justice Centre: authorised to sit on criminal and civil work in the Crown and County Courts (Wales & Chester Circuit).

2001-09 Deputy High Court Judge.

2003-07 Tutor, Judicial Studies Board. Civil Continuation Course and Specialist Jurisdiction Course tutor

2003-09 Senior Circuit Judge (South Eastern Circuit 2003-05: Wales & Chester Circuit: 2005-07).

2003-09 Chief Social Security and Child Support Commissioner of Great Britain. Judicial head of the Commissioners in England & Wales, and Scotland, dealing with social security, child benefit, housing benefit and other appeals from Social Security & Child Support Appeal Tribunals.

2005-09 Chief Pensions Appeal Commissioner of Great Britain. Judicial head of the Commissioners in England & Wales, and Scotland, dealing with appeals from Pensions Appeal Tribunals.

2005-07 Designated Civil Judge for Wales (South Wales, Dyfed Powys & Gwent to 2006). Judge responsible for civil justice in Wales.

2005-09 Judge of the Technology & Construction Court. Until 2007, under the Presiding Judge of the TCC, judge responsible for TCC business in Wales.

2006 Judge of the Supreme Court of the Falkland Islands

2006-09 Panel of Investigating Judges and Review Body Members for the purposes of Judicial Complaints

2006-09 Judge of the Mercantile Court in Wales

2006-09 Judge of the Administrative Court. Until 2007, under the Lead Judge of the Admin Court, judge responsible for Admin Court business in Wales.

2007-09 Deputy Senior President of Tribunals.

2008-09 President, Administrative Appeals Chamber of the Upper Tribunal, a second-tier tribunal dealing with appeals from the First-tier Tribunal (Social Entitlement Chamber), Mental Health Review Tribunal Wales and Special Educational Needs Tribunal Wales.

2009-17 Justice of the High Court (Queen's Bench Division).

2012-15 Senior Liaison Judge for Diversity, responsible for all aspects of diversity

within the judiciary.

- 2012-16 Queen’s Bench Division Liaison Judge (Administrative Court) for the Northern and North Eastern Circuits (2012), for the Midland, Wales and Western Circuits (2013-16). Judicial lead for the Admin Court for the assigned circuits.
- 2017-21 Lord Justice of Appeal, sitting in the Criminal and Civil Divisions, and the Divisional Court. Supervisory Judge for public law appeals, and all appeals from Wales.
- 2021-22 Sole Commissioner in Commission of Inquiry into Governance and Corruption in the British Virgin Islands.
- 2021- Arbitrator, mediator and assessor (particularly in the sports and commercial fields).
- 2023- President of Welsh Tribunals.
- 2024- Chair of the Post Office Overturned Convictions Independent Pecuniary Losses Assessment Panel.

5. **Membership of Professional Societies Etc**

The Association of High Court Judges (Committee 2011-15, Secretary 2012-2015)  
 The Council of Circuit Judges  
 The Association of the Judges of Wales  
 The Commonwealth Judges’ and Magistrates’ Association  
 Middle Temple (Bencher)  
 The Law Society  
 The Solicitors’ Association of Higher Court Advocates (President 2010-date)  
 The Association of London Welsh Lawyers  
 The Association of Commonwealth Lawyers  
 The Academy of Experts (former Council Member)  
 The Society for Advanced Legal Studies (Fellow)  
 The Chartered Institute of Arbitrators (Fellow, and Patron of the Institute in Wales 2005-8)  
 The Worshipful Company of Arbitrators (Liveryman 2009-, Court Assistant 2011-16, Warden 2016-18, Master 2018-19)

6. **Membership of Committees etc**

The Working Party on Group Actions, set up by the Supreme Court Procedure Committee (“the Bowsher Working Party”) (1990-91)  
 Editorial Board, World Food Regulatory Review (1991-93)  
 The General Council of the Bar and the Law Society Joint Working Party on the Civil Courts (“the Heilbron/Hodge Working Party”) (1992-93)  
 Editorial Board, The Litigator (1994-98)  
 The Law Society Working Party on Group Actions (1994-2000)  
 Editorial Board, Personal Injury (1995-1998)  
 The Academy of Experts’ Disciplinary Committee (1996-2000)  
 Central London County Court Mediators Panel (1996-2000)  
 The Lord Chancellor’s Standing Committee for the Welsh Language (2001-3, 2023-)

Tribunals Judiciary Executive Board (2008-09 (Deputy Chair), 2023-)  
Tribunals Judiciary Appointments Group (Chair) (2008-9)  
Judicial Estates Advisory Group (2008-9)  
TCE Act Programme Board (2008-9)  
TCE Act Implementation Project Board (2008-9)  
Judicial College Project Board (Chair) (2010-11)  
Judicial Working Group on Litigants in Person (Chair) (2012-13)  
Wales Sub-Committee of the Judges' Council (2013-21, 2023-)  
Library Sub-Committee of the Judges' Council (Chair) (2017-20)  
RCJ Library Committee (Chair) (2017-20)  
JUSTICE Working Party on Government Outsourcing (Chair) (2022-24)  
Administrative Justice Council (2023-)  
Law Council for Wales (Executive Committee) (2023-)  
Law Commission (Wales Advisory Committee) (2023-)

7. **Sport Disciplinary and Dispute Resolution Panels**

Sport Resolutions Arbitrators' Panel (2021-)  
National Safeguarding Panel (2021-)  
Paralympic Categorisation Appeal Panel (2021-)  
Football Association Safeguarding Review Panel (2022-)  
UEFA Licensing Appeal Board (Chair) (2022-)  
Lawn Tennis Association Judicial Panel (Chair) (2023-)  
British Wrestling Judicial Panel (Chair) (2023-)  
British Horseracing Association Judicial Panel (Appeal Board Chair) (2023-)  
Premier League Judicial Panel (2023-)  
Premier League Owners' and Directors' Test Independent Oversight Panel (2023-4)  
Football Association Anti-Discrimination Panel (2024-)  
National Anti-Doping Panel (2024-)

8. **Selected Other Appointments and Positions**

Knight Bachelor (2009)  
Privy Counsellor (2017)  
Knight Principal (2019-)  
Trustee of the Bakers' Benevolent Fund (2021-)  
Trustee of the Mercian Multi-Academy Trust (2021-) (Lead Trustee for Disadvantaged Pupils)  
Greater London Shrievalty Nominations Committee (2023-)

**Gary Hickinbottom**  
**October 2024**