

SIR MICHAEL BURTON QC

Silk: 1984 | Call: 1970



Sir Michael Burton (Mr Justice Burton) was called to the Bar in 1970, became a QC in 1984, and was appointed a High Court Judge in 1998. He had a busy commercial practice in the Queen's Bench Division, Chancery Division, Commercial Court and Employment Courts, in a wide variety of fields of Law.

He was Head of Littleton Chambers from 1991 to 1998. He appeared as Counsel not only in the UK and Luxembourg, but also in Hong Kong, Singapore, Bermuda, Brunei and the United States. He sat for a number of years as a Deputy High Court Judge in the Queen's Bench and Chancery Divisions and as an arbitrator and mediator. While a High Court Judge (1998 - 2016) he has sat in the Queen's Bench and Chancery Divisions, Commercial Court, Administrative Court, Revenue List and the Employment Appeal Tribunal of which he was President from 2002 to 2005. In 2010-2011 he was Chairman of the High Court Judges Association. He was Treasurer of Gray's Inn in 2012 and is a Bencher. He has been Chairman of the Central Arbitration Committee (CAC) since 2000 and is President of the Investigatory Powers Tribunal (Vice-President 2000-2013). He was appointed a part-time judge of the Abu Dhabi Commercial Court in 2016. He has since November 2016 practised as an arbitrator from Littleton Chambers and is a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Arbitrators. He was appointed from 3 September 2017 as Chairman of the Conduct and Disciplinary Tribunal of the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors.