

Simon Bennett

Partner

I am head of Fox Williams' intellectual property team and lead a team of specialists offering a one stop shop service on trade mark, design, patent, copyright and database right protection in the creative industries.



Simon gets results: this includes achieving a custodial prison sentence for an IP infringer; defeating a multinational brand on behalf of a SME in a trade mark infringement claim; successfully retrieving domain names for 100 famous authors in the first class action of its kind; persuading a court to allow service of a court claim via Instagram – another first; acting for Apprentice winners to protect their IP rights; protection of the IP owned by A list individuals; winning six and seven figure damages claims for and against high street fashion retailers for IP infringements; regularly co-ordinating cross border IP infringements on a worldwide basis.

Simon is one of a small group of Gold ranked litigators by World Trade Mark Review.

Simon skills are not confined to the IP disputes arena: he also advises on IP strategy and finds innovative commercial solutions to intractable problems, particularly in the tech and fintech sectors.

Legal Expertise

- Copyright
- Designs
- Fashion law
- Passing off
- Patents
- Technology law
- Trade marks

Experience

- Acted for Bentley Clothing and obtained a successful High Court judgment in their trade mark infringement claim against Bentley Motors.

- Advised luxury equestrian brand Holland Cooper in preventing design infringements of its fur cape design, successfully preventing two competitors from selling products and issuing proceedings against one company where we obtained permission to serve a Court order via Instagram, which is a UK first.
- Advised Glanbia Performance Nutrition on various worldwide trade marks and oppositions and acted for them in relation to its High Court claim against The Hut Group Limited and The Hut.com.

Memberships

- International Bar Association (Technology Law Committee)
- International Trade Mark Association
- International Trade Mark Association ADR Committee