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Education

2009-2010 **Dip LP**
Glasgow Graduate School of Law, Glasgow
2004-2009 **LLB Hons (1st Class)**
University of Aberdeen, Aberdeen

Awards

2013-2014 **Faculty Scholarship**
Faculty of Advocates, Edinburgh

Professional Experience

07/2014 - **Advocate**
Faculty of Advocates, Edinburgh

09/2013 –
07/2014 **Devil**
Faculty of Advocates, Edinburgh

Principal Gavin MacColl
Subsidiaries Gordon Balfour, Douglas Ross
Criminal Frances Connor

- As counsel, Chris' diverse practice has included agricultural law, property law, personal injury law, criminal law and judicial review.
- Appeared before the Inner House, the Outer House and the High Court of Justiciary in its appellate capacity.
- Involved in a diverse array of legal disputes while devilling, emphasising commercial contracts but encompassing professional negligence, property litigation, insurer reparation and public law.
- Acted as a member of the Faculty's Free Legal Services Unit (FLSU) in the Employment Appeals Tribunal with Dorothy Bain QC as senior.

09/2010 – **Solicitor/Trainee Solicitor**
08/2013 Lindsays Solicitors, Edinburgh

- Accepted a position as an assistant after completing a fixed seat specialist litigation traineeship.
- Acted as part of a busy general civil litigation team for three years.
- Appeared in the sheriff courts and acted on behalf of clients in the Court of Session.
- Developed a comprehensive understanding of the practice and procedure of the Scottish courts.
- In addition to a high volume of contractual disputes and personal injury actions, examples of professional experience include:
 - a) Intellectual property: Acted on behalf of a global leader in oil and gas safety training against infringements of copyright, spanning multiple jurisdictions. Relevant considerations included the quantification of damages, loss of notional royalties and loss of profits.
 - b) Licensing: Acted on behalf of a large charity in a dispute with a council. The case concerned the ability of the council's building control department to withhold completion certificates as a means of enforcing licensing objectives.
 - c) Residential Property: Acted on behalf of proprietors in a boundary dispute with their neighbour. The dispute concerned the prescriptive creation of a servitude to vent gas over a neighbouring property.
 - d) Commercial Property: Acted on behalf of a company that had invested heavily in the development of a property which, following lengthy negotiations, it had been assured it would acquire. The sellers reneged prior to the conclusion of missives. The case concerned the operation of ss. 1(3) and (4) of the Requirements of Writing (Scotland) Act 1995 and the extent and relevance of "Melville Monument liability" to recover abortive costs.
 - e) Industrial Disease: Represented many individuals who had suffered noise induced hearing loss. Relevant considerations included the legal standard of protection applicable at the time of the harm, which was historic; the effect of the decline in hearing concomitant with age; limitation; the technical criteria applicable to the diagnosis of noise induced hearing loss; and the analysis of complex medicolegal evidence.