

TIM AMOS QC
BARRISTER

Tim Amos is a specialist family finance barrister in private practice in London. He is also a trained Collaborative Lawyer and is the UK's only Collaborative Family Law QC (Queen's Counsel). He is a Fellow of the International Academy of Lawyers (IAML) and practises from the leading set of London family law barristers known as the Chambers of Lucy Stone QC in Queen Elizabeth Building in the Temple (in the lawyers' quarter of London).

Tim was educated at Cambridge, Canterbury and Oxford. In Cambridge he sang in the Choir of King's College Chapel. He has an MA from Oxford University in Ancient and Modern History. He studied law in London at the Central London Polytechnic (now University of Westminster), and at the Inns of Court School of Law, and was called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1987.

For the first five years of his career Tim practised general civil common law (including Family Law, children as well as money), but for the last 15 years has concentrated solely on Family Law and now specialises in international marriage and divorce, and the financial implications of cross-border relationship-breakdown. He is particularly known as an expert in "big money" family finance cases, married or unmarried, and including where one of the parties has died without making proper provision for the other.

From 2001-2008 Tim was also *Standing Counsel to the Queen's Proctor*, a government appointment to advise the Government Law Officers for England and Wales on all matters of family law with a public interest element, including the validity of foreign marriages and divorces. In this capacity Tim was also involved in the leading English cases on transsexual marriage and recognition of foreign same-sex marriage (as distinct from statutory same-sex partnerships which are now recognised as part of English domestic law). Tim was appointed a QC in January 2008.