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Sir Keith Lindblom

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Practice Profile

Sir Keith Lindblom is a retired Lord Justice of Appeal and the immediate past Senior President of Tribunals.

Over his 15-year full-time judicial career, from his appointment to the High Court (Queen's Bench Division) (2010) to his retirement from the Court of Appeal (2025), he was appointed President of the Lands Chamber of the Upper Tribunal (2013), lead judge of the Planning Court (2014), Lord Justice of Appeal with particular responsibility for planning and environmental law (2015), President of the Administrative Appeals Chamber of the Upper Tribunal (2018), Vice-President of Tribunals (2018) and Senior President of Tribunals (2020), and a member of the panel of judges sitting in the Privy Council (2021).

During his tenure in the High Court and Court of Appeal, he gave many leading judgments on cases relating to planning, major infrastructure projects and compulsory purchase.

For 30 years prior to joining the bench, 15 years as Queen's Counsel, he was a barrister specialising mainly in planning and infrastructure cases at Francis Taylor Building.

Sir Keith rejoined Francis Taylor Building in June 2026 as an Associate Member. As a CEDR trained and accredited mediator, he is available to undertake mediations and has a particular interest in cases relating to major infrastructure projects and other multi-stakeholder schemes of development. His experience as a leading advocate and senior judge specialising in this field of work equips him to help parties find solutions through mediation.

Judicial and Other Relevant Appointments

Judicial

- Member of the panel of judges hearing appeals in the Privy Council - 2021
- Judge of the Court of Ecclesiastical Causes Reserved - 2021
- Senior President of Tribunals – September 2020
- Vice-President of the Unified Tribunals and President of the Upper Tribunal (Administrative Appeals Chamber) – March 2018
- Privy Counsellor - 2016
- Lord Justice of Appeal – November 2015
- Lead judge of the Planning Court – April 2014
- President of the Upper Tribunal (Lands Chamber) – January 2013
- High Court (Queen's Bench Division) - 2010
- Deputy Judge of the High Court - 2009
- Recorder - 2001

Other

- President of the Planning and Environmental Bar Association (PEBA) – 2022
- President of the UK Environmental Law Association (UKELA) - 2021
- Board Member of the European Forum of Judges for the Evironment - 2012
- Member of the Bar of the Turks and Caicos Islands - 2006
- Member of the Bar of Northern Ireland - 2002
- Member of the Bar of Hong Kong - 2000
- Honorary Fellow of St John's College, Oxford - 2016
- Bencher of Gray's Inn - 2003