

# Ian Woods

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## EDUCATION

August 2011	<b>Admitted as a Solicitor of the Senior Courts of England &amp; Wales</b>
July 2008	<b>Called to the Bar of England &amp; Wales at Lincoln's Inn</b>
2007-2008	BPP Professional Law School <b>Bar Vocational Course, VC,</b>
2003-2007	University of Essex <b>LLB (Hons) English and European Law, 2:1</b>
2005-2006	<b>University of Paris X</b> Diploma in French Law
1997 -2003	John Hampden Grammar School, High Wycombe <b>A Level: History, French, Psychology, Physics</b>

## LEGAL WORK EXPERIENCE

**May 2010 – To Present: Ben Macfarlane & Co** **Solicitor**

His duties include conducting and assisting in maritime, insurance and international trade disputes, dealing with both litigation and arbitration. As a case handler he is responsible for liaising with and advising clients, drafting written advices, conducting negotiations and instructing counsel. He also reviews and drafts commercial contracts as part of his non-contentious practice.

**October 2008 – April 2010: Legal Practice Clerks** **County Court Advocate**

He appeared before a District Judge on a daily basis undertaking a variety of hearings, including:

- Applications to set aside judgment and for summary judgment;
- Landlord/tenant possession hearings and mortgage possession claims;
- Small claims including contract disputes and road traffic accidents; and
- Appeals. (Circuit Judges)

This provided extensive experience in litigation and advocacy in many areas and aspects of law. He demonstrated an ability to accurately assess the merits of a case helping to achieve the most favourable result for the client.

## LEGAL PLACEMENTS

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Organisation:</b>	<b>Description:</b>
March 2008	Berri's Solicitors	Placement
August 2007	Quadrant Chambers	Mini Pupillage
April 2007	18 Red Lion Court Chambers	Mini Pupillage
February 2007	Stone Chambers	Mini-Pupillage
April 2006	IBB Solicitors	Placement

