

THREE NEW SQUARE

INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY



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Year of Call: 2024

PRACTICE AREA

All aspects of Intellectual Property law, including patents, trade marks, passing off, copyright, designs, confidential information and contractual disputes involving intellectual property or technical subject matter.

BACKGROUND

Dheemanth graduated from University College London (UCL) with an LLM in Intellectual Property law. Before his studies at UCL, Dheemanth trained and worked as a medical doctor. In addition to clinical experience, Dheemanth also has hands-on experience of lab-based research, having previously been engaged in research on layer-by-layer assembled microcapsules and targeted lipid nanoparticles for drug delivery, and having presented on the same at national and international conferences.

Prior to commencing pupillage, Dheemanth was the research assistant at the Institute of Brand and Innovation Law (IBIL) and to the Rt. Hon. Professor Sir Robin Jacob (former IP specialist Lord Justice of Appeal), assisting with both his academic and advisory work (October 2023 to September 2024). During this time, Dheemanth worked on a number of legal opinions with Sir Robin on complex patent disputes (mechanical and pharmaceutical), contentious trade mark and copyright matters, a contract law matter, and a matter relating to civil procedure and third-party access to court documents.

SELECTION OF CASES OBSERVED/ CONTRIBUTED TO DURING PUPILLAGE

PATENTS

- **(Instructed)** *AstraZeneca v Generics (UK) & Ors* [2025] EWCA Civ 924 – further applications for interim injunctive relief in the dapagliflozin litigation; raising issues of holdover injunctions pending Supreme Court determination of application for permission to appeal the validity decision.
- **(Instructed)** *Generics (UK) & Ors v AstraZeneca* [2025] EWCA Civ 903 – revocation proceedings concerning dapagliflozin for treating diabetes; plausibility and technical contribution.
- *Alexion v Amgen & Samsung Bioepis* [2025] EWHC 1240 (Pat) – infringement and invalidity proceedings concerning a patent covering eculizumab, a biologic treatment for paroxysmal nocturnal haemoglobinuria; raising ‘non-technical’ issues judicial estoppel, approbation and reprobation, and abuse of process.
- *Accord v Novartis* (ongoing) – valsartan / sacubitril combination therapy for heart failure, raising issues of collocation and SPC issues.
- *Merck Serono v Comptroller-General* [2025] EWCA Civ 45 – appeal from decision refusing an SPC application for medicinal product ‘mavenclad’ (a second medical use of cladribine) for the treatment of highly active relapsing remitting multiple sclerosis; involving arguments inviting the Court of Appeal to invoke its post-Brexit powers and depart from the CJEU decision in *Santen*.
- *Halozyme v Comptroller-General* [2024] EWHC 3202 (Pat) – appeal from UKIPO decision refusing two SPC applications for combination products of recombinant human hyaluronidase with trastuzumab or rituximab.
- *Celltrion v Novartis and Genentech* [2025] EWHC 174 (Pat) – infringement and invalidity proceedings concerning a patent covering a particular formulation of the antibody omalizumab, a highly successful biological asthma treatment; raising an allegation of anticipation of an equivalent.

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TRADE MARKS/ PASSING OFF/ DESIGNS/ COPYRIGHT

- KOOAPPS/KooVerse (UKIPO hearing; awaiting decision) – consolidated TM Opposition and Cancellation proceedings.

EDUCATION

- 2024 – 2025: 12-month pupillage at Three New Square, to Stuart Baran, Jeremy Heald, and Katherine Moggridge covering all aspects of Intellectual Property law.
- 2023 – 2024: Bar Course at the Inns of Court College of Advocacy.
- 2022 – 2023: LLM in Intellectual Property law at UCL.
- 2018 – 2020: GDL at BPP University (Part-time).
- 2012 – 2018: Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) at the University of East Anglia.
- 2015 – 2016: Bachelor of Medical Sciences (BMedSci) in Molecular Therapeutics at Queen Mary University of London (QMUL).

PRIZES / AWARDS

- 4iP Council Research Awards First Place Winner (May 2024).
- UCL IBIL Prize for Top Performance in an Intellectual Property LLM Research Essay (March 2024).
- 8 New Square Prize for Top Performance in the UCL LLM Patent Law Module (March 2024).
- Gerald Moody Scholarship awarded by the Honourable Society of Gray's Inn (March 2023).
- UCL Laws Academic Excellence Scholarship (September 2022).
- GDL Scholarship awarded by BPP Law School (October 2018).
- Prize for Evidence-Based Medicine awarded by Norwich Medical School (June 2017).
- Treasurer's Prize and Principal's Prize awarded by QMUL for outstanding academic achievement and for being top of the cohort on the BMedSci degree (July 2016).

SELECTION OF PUBLICATIONS

- Forthcoming chapter co-authored with Sir Robin Jacob on *InterDigital v Lenovo* in the Edward Elgar Cases in Context series on FRAND and Standards Essential Patents (edited by Professor Jorge Contreras, 2025).
- Sole authored paper on plausibility and patent validity published on the 4iP Council website (March 2024) and presented a webinar on the same topic (May 2024).

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