

## Alex Spencer

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## Areas of Expertise

- Tax

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Alex is a barrister and a chartered tax adviser (CTA).

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## Expertise

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Before coming to the bar, he worked for six years as a tax adviser in two 'Big 4' accounting firms. His work during this period included direct and indirect tax planning, tax transaction due diligence and tax dispute resolution (through litigation and mediation).

He also developed specialist practices in real estate tax, VAT and the taxation of luxury assets.

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## Education

Double first in Classics at Trinity Hall, Cambridge

Distinction in each of the PGDL (law conversion course) and BTC (Bar Training Course).

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