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Geoffrey is consultant global counsel in the litigation and arbitration team.

Geoffrey was Attorney General for England and Wales and Advocate General for Northern Ireland from 2018-2020. He works with colleagues in our public international law and international arbitration teams to develop the practice across the world.

In his private practice as a leading barrister and head of Thomas More Chambers, Geoffrey was for some years standing counsel to the Government of Mauritius, advising it on a wide range of legislative, constitutional, public and private law issues, and has led teams in commercial and investment arbitrations and in litigation around the world, as well as acting in the UK in fraud and asset recovery, defamation, and judicial review actions. He has appeared as leading counsel in the UK Supreme Court and the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council and represented the UK in the European Court of Human Rights.

TRACK RECORD

In 2018 and 2019, Geoffrey was charged as Attorney General, among other things, with advising the British Government on the Article 50 EU Withdrawal Agreement and on the negotiations for the UK's exit from the EU, and for a time was part of its negotiating team. He was responsible for advising on the UK Government's obligations in public international law in all areas of its activity and for directing its legal strategy and its participation in all its major domestic and international litigation.

ADMISSIONS

- Bar of England and Wales, 1982
- England and Wales 2003, Queen's Counsel

MEMBERSHIPS

- Member of Parliament for Torridge and West Devon
- Privy Counsellor

TALKS

Geoffrey has made many speeches and public presentations, most recently to the [Institute for Government](#).

You can also hear a profile of him, concentrating on his recent experiences in government, interviewed by Nick Robinson for the [BBC](#).

EDUCATION

BA (Cantab) English and Law

LANGUAGES

ENGLISH

DATES

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