

Guy Brannan (1974)

Proposed for re-election as President at 2026 AGM

Guy applied to Trinity Hall on the strength of a recommendation from a friend that it was "a friendly college, small, good for law and beside the river." The recommendation turned out to be spot on.

Guy read Law from 1974-1977 studying under the legendary John Collier. It was John who recommended that he should apply to the City law firm of Linklaters & Paines (now Linklaters LLP) where he practised law for more than 30 years. From 1978-1979 Guy studied for an LLM at the University of Virginia and then returned to Linklaters becoming a partner in 1987, specialising in corporate tax law. Guy spent over four years in the late 1980s and early 1990s working in the firm's New York office before returning to London, becoming a member of Linklaters' management committee and global head of tax as well as helping to spearhead the firm's expansion into continental Europe.

Guy retired from practice in 2010 and immediately took up the position of a judge of the new First-tier Tax Tribunal and in 2015 was appointed to an equivalent position as a judge of the Upper Tribunal (Tax & Chancery), roles which have been constantly stimulating and intellectually demanding.

Guy and his wife Jane moved to Cambridge in 2017 and so they enjoy the many pleasures that Cambridge has to offer without having to write essays or sit exams. Guy is a Year Rep for 1974.