

## Matthew Leitch

Call: 2024



Matthew Leitch joined Chambers as a pupil in October 2024 and is building experience in all of Chambers' practice areas.

Prior to joining Chambers, Matthew conducted research into genetic disclosure at the Centre for Law, Medicine and Life Sciences, University of Cambridge, as a Research Affiliate under Professor Kathy Liddell. He has recently published an article in the *Journal of Professional Negligence* on breach of duty in informed consent cases involving alternative treatments. Whilst at university, he founded the Cambridge University Medical Law Society. Matthew has also volunteered as a tribunal representative with the Free Representation Unit in social security cases. This included successfully appealing a client's Personal Independence Payment claim, obtaining an additional sixteen points on appeal.

### Awards

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- Hempsons Prize for Law, Medicine and Life Sciences (Top of year in Law and Ethics of Medicine, University of Cambridge), 2023.
- Littleton Chambers Prize for Labour Law (Top of year in Labour Law, University of Cambridge), 2023.
- Lady Clare Precious Pearl Prize (Best humanities dissertation, Clare College), 2023.
- William Senior Prize for Law (Best mark in Part II Law Tripos, Clare College), 2023.
- Exhibition Scholarship (Outstanding performance in final year, Clare College), 2023.
- Foundation Scholarship (Clare College), 2022.
- College Prize (Clare College), 2022.

### Education

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- Inns of Court College of Advocacy, PgDip Bar Practice, Distinction, 2023-2024.
- University of Cambridge, BA Law, Double First Class (2<sup>nd</sup> in year), 2020-2023.

## Publications

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- 'Disclosing Alternative Treatments: Towards a Bolam-Montgomery Partnership' (2024) 40(3) *Journal of Professional Negligence* 107.