

Hannah Noyce

Call: 2013



Hannah Noyce has a broad practice across the areas of Chambers' work, with particular experience in clinical negligence, public law and human rights, inquests, indirect tax, and environmental law. She is recommended as a Rising Star by the Legal 500, and as a leading junior by Chambers & Partners.

Before being called to the Bar, Hannah worked as a Research Assistant at the Law Commission and taught Jurisprudence at King's College London.

In autumn 2017, Hannah was awarded a Pegasus Scholarship to spend three months living and working in Wellington, New Zealand. While there she worked in the litigation team at Chapman Tripp LLP, and gained experience in a variety of matters involving public, regulatory and environmental law.

"Hannah is an all-rounder: she provides sound and detailed advice and she is a very good advocate on her feet." "Hannah handles delicate and sensitive client issues with empathy and ease. She is excellent on her feet and exudes a quiet self assured confidence that unsettles her opponents."

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"She has a really strong command of the room when you're in conference with her. Her advocacy skills are excellent and she builds strong relationships with the clients."

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"An astute, highly intellectual junior."

Legal 500 2024

Clinical Negligence

Hannah is regularly instructed by both claimants and defendants in a broad range of clinical negligence claims.

Selected Cases

- **CN & GN v Poole BC [2019] UKSC 25**: UK Supreme Court considered the extent to which local authorities and their employees owe a common law duty to protect children from harm caused by third parties.
- **ABC v St. George's Healthcare NHS Trust and others [2017] EWCA Civ 336**: junior counsel for the defendants in a claim concerning the limits of the duty of care concept in the context of genetic medicine.
- **Various Claimants v Ian Paterson (2017)**: junior counsel for the claimants in test cases brought against a consultant breast surgeon for negligent treatment of hundreds of NHS and private patients spanning a decade.

Inquests

Hannah regularly appears at inquests for both families, and medical professionals and organisations.

Selected Cases

- Acted for an NHS Trust in a complex case concerning the death of a baby from cardiac arrest where concerns were raised about the treatment provided.
- Acted for a GP at a five-day jury inquest concerning the death of a prisoner in custody.
- Acted for the family at a three-day inquest arising out of the death of a mental health outpatient.

Public Law

Hannah is regularly instructed in a range of public law cases. She has a particular interest in matters relating to healthcare, and regularly appears at inquests which raise issues under Article 2 ECHR and/or complex medical issues, as well as in claims under the Human Rights Act 1998.

Selected Cases

- **The Honourable Chief Justice of Trinidad & Tobago Mr Justice Ivor Archie O.R.T.T. v The Law Association of Trinidad and Tobago**: junior counsel for the Appellant in an appeal to the Privy Council, concerning Constitutional and statutory interpretation and issues of fairness and natural justice.

- **R (Roadpeace) v Secretary of State for Transport [2017] EWHC 2725 (Admin)**: junior counsel for the claimant charity in a judicial review of the lawfulness of the UK's arrangements for compensating victims of untraced and uninsured drivers in relation to EU law.
- **Holborn Studios Ltd and Del Brenner v Hackney Council [2017] EWHC 2823 (Admin)**: counsel for one of the successful claimants in a judicial review quashing a grant of planning permission following a failure to re-consult.

Human Rights

Hannah is regularly instructed in a range of cases involving human rights. She has a particular interest in matters relating to healthcare, and regularly appears at inquests which raise issues under Article 2 ECHR and/or complex medical issues, as well as in claims under the Human Rights Act 1998.

Hannah is a member of the editorial team for the [UK Human Rights Blog](#) and was a panel member at a recent forum on the impact of Brexit on fundamental rights, chaired by Joshua Rozenberg QC.

Selected Cases

- **CN & Another v Poole Borough Council**: instructed as junior counsel for the AIRE Centre, intervening in the Supreme Court, with particular focus on issues arising under the ECHR and UN conventions.
- **ABC v St. George's Healthcare NHS Trust and others [2017] EWCA Civ 336**: junior counsel for the defendants in a claim concerning the competing rights of patients and family members in genetic medicine.

Environmental Law

Hannah has a keen interests in environmental matters and is developing a broad practice across all areas of environmental law.

Selected Cases

- **The M4 Relief Road (2017-19)**: represented the Gwent Wildlife Trust, objecting to the proposal to build an M4 relief road in South Wales.
- **Holborn Studios Ltd and Del Brenner v Hackney Council [2017] EWHC 2823 (Admin)**: counsel for one of the successful claimants in a judicial review quashing a grant of planning permission following a failure to re-consult.
- Acting for the claimant in an ongoing judicial review challenging the Environment Agency's classification of material under the Waste Framework Directive.
- Junior counsel advising on the merits of a challenge to a public consultation concerning a major proposed infrastructure project.

Tax

Hannah has a keen interest in tax law, particularly indirect tax, and intends to build a broad practice in this area. She is a regular contributor to talks and seminars, including a recent presentation on the implications of Brexit for VAT law. As a pupil she assisted members of the indirect tax team with a variety of matters, including those listed below.

Selected Cases

- A number of high profile VAT cases, including Case C-126/14 [UAB Sveda](#) in the CJEU and [HMRC v Pendragon Plc \[2015\] UKSC 37](#) in the Supreme Court.
- Advice on a matter involving the valuation of supplies for customs purposes.
- Advice on a challenge to a major company's VAT treatment based on public law principles, including legitimate expectations.

Awards

- Inner Temple Pegasus Award (2017)
- Phoenicia Scholarship, Bar European Group (2014)
- Certificate of Honour, Middle Temple (2013)
- Queen Mother Scholarship, Middle Temple (2012)
- Law Faculty Prize for Best Performance in Constitutional Theory on the BCL, Oxford University (2012)
- BCL Studentship, Arts and Humanities Research Council (2011)
- Peter Carter Prize, Wadham College, Oxford (2010)
- Awards for excellent performance in Final Honour Schools (2010)
- First Prize, ESU Essex Court Chambers National Mooting Competition (2010)
- First Prize, Shearman and Sterling Moot, Oxford University (2009)
- Academic Scholarships, Wadham College, Oxford (2008 & 2009)
- First Prize, Wadham College Moot (2008)
- Awards for excellent performance in Moderations (2007)

Education

- Bar Professional Training Course (Outstanding), City Law School (2013)
- Bachelor of Civil Law (Distinction), Lincoln College, Oxford (2012)
- BA (Hons) Jurisprudence (First Class), Wadham College, Oxford (2010)
- Certificat Supérieur de Droit Français, Mention Assez Bien, Université Paris II (Panthéon-Assas) (2009)

Publications

- Contributor to the [UK Human Rights Blog](#).