

David
Reader
Call: 2017



David accepts instructions across a range of areas of chambers' work with a particular focus upon public law, civil law and immigration. He joined chambers as a tenant in October 2018 following the successful completion of his pupillage.

Prior to coming to the bar, David worked for several years in Local Government and the Civil Service. He also regularly appeared as an advocate in appeals to the First-tier Tribunal (Immigration and Asylum Chamber) and continues to accept instructions in this area, as Counsel.

He studied law as a mature student in 2015, graduating first in his year, before being called to the Bar in 2017. Throughout his legal studies, David volunteered at Stonewall, the LGBT rights charity.

Inquests

David accepts instructions to represent all Interested Persons with a focus upon public bodies including police services and officers, NHS trusts and medical professionals, universities, and local authorities.

Public Inquiries

David is instructed by the Commissioner for the Metropolitan Police Service on the Undercover Policing Inquiry, the public inquiry into undercover policing in England and Wales, chaired by Sir John Mitting QC.

David has been instructed by the Department of Health on the Infected Blood Inquiry via the Attorney General's 'Junior Junior' panel, since January 2021.

Police Law

David accepts instructions in all areas of Police Law. This includes: ASBIs, disclosure matters, DVPOs, SPOs, SHPOs, SROs and notification orders.

Civil

David accepts instructions across the full range of general civil work, including road traffic, personal injury, landlord and tenant matters and Trusts of Land and Appointment of Trustees Act 1996 cases.

He is regularly instructed on matters from interim hearings and small claims, to fast track and multi-track trials.

David also accepts paperwork instruction to provide advice and to draft documents.

Immigration

David accepts instructions in a wide-range of immigration, nationality and asylum matters.

He acts both for appellants and for the Secretary of State for the Home Department from whom he accepts regular instruction. This expertise affords him an excellent knowledge and understanding of the relevant law, the First Tier Tribunal process and case management & strategy.

David's knowledge and experience in immigration and nationality law enables him to advise on such matters within family proceedings. For example, advising a Local Authority on the nationality of a child involved in care proceedings.

Direct Access

David accepts work directly from clients in accordance with our [Direct Access Scheme](#). You can find out more about instructing him directly [here](#) or via the [Direct Access Portal](#).

Awards

- Levitt Scholarship, Lincoln's Inn (2017)
- 4 Kings Bench Walk Prize for Advocacy, for best overall performance (2017)
- 5 Paper Buildings Prize for Cross Examination for best overall performance (2017)
- The University of Law Prize for Immigration and Asylum for best overall performance (2017)

- Hardwicke Entrance Award, Lincoln's Inn (2016)
- BPTC Advocacy Scholarship, University of Law (2015/16)
- Performance Award, University of Law (2015)
- The University of Law Prize for the highest result nationally achieved on the LL.B (2015)
- Award for the best overall LL.B student, University of Law (2015)
- The Dechert Scholarship (2014)
- Winner of the University of Law Mooting Competition, Supreme Court (2014)

Education

- University of Law, BPTC (Very Competent) (2017)
- University of Law, LLB, 2 year accelerated. (First Class Hons) (2015)

Memberships

- ALBA
- Lincoln's Inn