

The Bar Council
Pupillage Fair 2022

PUPILLAGE AT:

2 HARE COURT

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RECOGNISED NATIONALLY AND INTERNATIONALLY AS ONE OF THE LEADING SETS IN THE UK

WHO WE ARE

2 Hare Court

Is recognised both nationally and internationally as one of the UK's leading sets, specialising in Criminal Defence, Private Prosecution, Public Prosecution, Fraud, Health & Safety, Inquests & Public Inquiries, Professional Discipline, Tax, Sports Law and other related fields.

We pride ourselves on providing high quality advice, advocacy and client service. 2 Hare Court is situated in the heart of the Temple, just a stone's throw away from the Royal Courts of Justice and a short walk from the Old Bailey. We are right at the heart of the London legal world. We have 68 members, 23 Silks and 45 Juniors, practising across all our major practice areas, many recognised by the major legal directories as leaders in their field.

Our team is made up of individuals from a wide range of backgrounds and we are committed to recruiting the most able and articulate pupils, no matter their background, to join and enhance our dynamic team.



2 Hare Court
Crime Set of the Year



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Pupils at 2 Hare Court will have the opportunity to learn from some of the very best advocates at the Bar and will be given the opportunity not only to observe but become intimately involved in the cases their supervisors are instructed in. You will be asked for your view as to how to approach problems, what strategy you would adopt and how you would develop the arguments. The work is complex and demanding but extremely rewarding. You can expect to be challenged every day and you will quickly develop your advocacy skills, both orally and in writing.

In your second six, you will have your own case load and will be in court regularly, dealing with a wide range of cases. You will have the opportunity to test and

develop your own advocacy skills and craft your own style and approach. Our aim is to ensure that all pupils meet the highest standard required to become a Member of Chambers and you will compete against only yourself to demonstrate that you have reached a standard of excellence in advocacy. Every pupil who meets that standard will be offered a tenancy in Chambers.



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WHAT WE DO

CRIME

Chambers is widely acknowledged as one of the foremost criminal sets in the country, which offers specialised and dedicated representation for clients, both defending and prosecuting, at all levels of the criminal justice system up to and including the Supreme Court, and several Treasury Counsel. Members appear throughout England and Wales, Northern Ireland and the Caribbean, and in other international jurisdictions. They provide outstanding legal knowledge, focused and timely advice, and robust and effective advocacy to individuals and corporates. Chambers offers unrivalled experience and ability in the defence of cases of murder, terrorism and serious fraud.

Expertise is provided at all levels in the fields of drug trafficking, armed robbery, blackmail, money laundering and other serious and organised crime.

INQUESTS & PUBLIC INQUIRIES

2 Hare Court offers unrivalled expertise and experience in Inquests & Public Inquiries. Our members have acted in the most complex and high profile cases of recent times, including; Grenfell Tower, Manchester Arena, Hillsborough, the Independent Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse, the Independent Jersey Care Inquiry into Child Sexual Abuse, the death of Alexander Litvinenko, the In Amenas hostage crisis, the London 7/7 bombings and the Bloody Sunday Inquiry.



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PROFESSIONAL DISCIPLINE

Alongside its elite criminal practitioners, 2 Hare Court is viewed by the recently published Legal 500 UK 2023 Guide as "the best set for professional discipline barristers". One of the many client testimonial quotes "2 Hare Court are exceptionally strong in the professional disciplinary world. Their number is the first that is called when excellent Counsel is required".

Led by the 2022 Legal 500 UK Professional Discipline and Regulatory Junior of the Year - Stephen Brassington - the Professional Discipline Team has established 2 Hare Court as one of the pre-eminent PD sets in the UK, with over half of its members practising in the fields of healthcare, financial regulation, sports, police and legal professional discipline.

Members appear on behalf of regulators and the defence in cases of serious misconduct before all of the major statutory regulatory bodies, including the General Medical Council, the General Dental Council, the Nursing and Midwifery Council, the General Optical Council, the General Osteopathic Council and the Solicitors Regulatory Authority.

Our team has entered into innovative contracts with CMS Cameron McKenna Nabarro Olswang LLP to provide advocacy services to the General Osteopathic Council and General Pharmaceutical Council. In addition, members appear in registration appeals and act in proceedings brought by the Care Quality Commission. All the team regularly represent doctors and other medical professionals at inquests.



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BUSINESS CRIME & FINANCIAL SERVICES

Chambers has a proud history of involvement in the largest and most complex white collar crime cases that this country has ever seen. In recent years, for example, members have been instructed in “Blue Index” (the FCA’s first cross-border insider dealing investigation), *SFO v Kallakis*, the British Airways cartel case, the Kent Pharmaceuticals trial and the News of the World phone hacking cases. Four out of the eight defence barristers instructed for Operation Tabernula (the FCA’s most complex and largest market abuse prosecution) were members of 2 Hare Court, whilst Chambers has also been significantly involved in the LIBOR and FX litigation. We offer a ‘cradle to grave’ service, advising at the sensitive pre-charge stage and in

relation to restraint proceedings, moving through to trial and confiscation proceedings thereafter if necessary.

LICENSING

2 Hare Court are highly experienced in advising and representing clients in a wide variety of licensing matters, but particularly in the fields of alcohol, entertainment, gaming, taxi and private hire, gangmaster, firearms and the security industry. We are instructed to advise individual and corporate applicants and licence holders, as well as those authorities issuing licences, those resisting applications and other interested parties. We receive instructions from leading solicitors firms in this area, as well as in-house counsel, members of the trade and members of the public.



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HEALTH & SAFETY

2 Hare Court is ranked as a leading set for Health & Safety in both Chambers & Partners and the Legal 500. A number of members now practice exclusively in this field and in related areas such as inquests arising from workplace fatalities and prosecutions brought by other regulators. Members of Chambers have appeared in some of the most high-profile cases in recent years including; Princes Sporting Club, Lion Steel, Cavendish Masonry and Hugo Boss and cover the entire range of Health & Safety work from corporate and gross negligence manslaughter and other offences involving fatalities and/or serious injury to appealing Enforcement and Prohibition Notices. We appear in cases across all sectors including; construction, mining, agriculture, transport, retail, energy, manufacture and engineering.

TAX

With a long established background in tax litigation, the team at 2 Hare Court have established a formidable reputation in cases involving disputes in direct and indirect tax appeals. The disputes span the full spectrum of tax litigation before the First-tier Tribunal (Tax Chamber), Upper Tribunal (Tax and Chancery Chamber) and Court of Appeal, where members are instructed both by Taxpayers and by the Commissioners for HM Revenue and Customs. We also represent claimants and defendants in the High Court Administrative Division and Chancery Division in proceedings arising out of assessments, registration decisions and negligence claims.



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SPORTS LAW

Members of chambers regularly appear before a range of sport governing bodies and adjudicative tribunals, including the Football Association, the National Anti-Doping Panel, and the Court of Arbitration for Sport. As such, we are able to offer a comprehensive service of advice and representation to individuals, clubs, and corporate clients, as well as various sports governing bodies. Demanding the very highest standards of all of our members, Chambers' expertise in sports law extends across all levels of call. This breadth of experience and expertise can and does, where necessary, extend to representing clients in criminal proceedings at the most serious level. As well as achieving the best legal and/or disciplinary outcomes for clients,

we understand the commercial and reputational concerns that clients, as professionals in their own right, often have in this context. We provide advice and representation that is directed to those concerns. In addition, a number of senior members of Chambers sit on various sports adjudicatory bodies.



THIS EXCELLENCE EXTENDS TO PROVIDING AN OUTSTANDING EDUCATION COURSE IN ADVOCACY

OUR IN-HOUSE ADVOCACY TRAINING PROGRAMME

We pride ourselves on excellence in advocacy which forms a central plank of our decision to offer either a pupillage or tenancy. This excellence extends to providing an outstanding continuing education course in advocacy, covering a range of topics and practice areas and utilising the skills of members of chambers of all levels. Pupils will undergo the advocacy training course once or twice during their pupillage. This takes place once a week and follows the pattern of theory session followed by practical session for each topic. Sessions generally take place on a Tuesday at 5.30pm but the day may be amended if a more convenient day is available. Theory sessions are given by a member of chambers and will take pupils

through the relevant law (where appropriate), the approach to take, how to structure your advocacy and key things to include or avoid. This is an opportunity for pupils to raise any questions they may have in a safe environment. This provides a unique opportunity for mistakes to be made without fear of repercussions from a Judge or client. Roles such as prosecuting or defence counsel or which witness they will play are allocated to each pupil for the practical session. Practical sessions are conducted the week after the relevant theory sessions. Each pupil has an allocated time slot to perform the exercise. Pupils are not expected to finish their advocacy in the allotted time but should prepare the exercise in full as they may be



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directed to a particular part of their submission. Pupils will receive oral feedback at the session which is recorded so that progress can be monitored and feedback provided to the tenancy committee.

Practical sessions are attended by members of chambers so they have an opportunity to assess the pupils' advocacy and provide helpful feedback. This is done in such a way that each pupil will walk away from the training session with areas that they can work on, develop and polish so that they may be able to apply it in their practice at the Bar.

The topics for advocacy are as follows:

- 1) Bail Applications
- 2) Opening speech

- 3) Examination in chief
- 4) Cross Examination
- 5) Closing speech
- 6) Plea in mitigation
- 7) Regulatory advocacy
- 8) General civil advocacy. The civil advocacy topic is subject to change (as a guide last year judicial review was the topic)

If a pupil is unwell, on holiday or out of London for court, Chambers actively tries to accommodate those difficulties. Pupils who are in the theory sessions are encouraged to share their notes with those who were unable to attend should Chambers be unable to rearrange the session. Once a year the pupils will conduct a mock trial at the Old Bailey in front of members of chambers. This is typically also

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conducted in front of a sitting or retired judge. 2 Hare Court boasts a number of current holders of judicial office, including Lord Justice Edis, Dame Bobbie Cheema-Grubb and Sir Julian Goose, as well as a number of serving circuit judges. The Pupils will be allocated roles as prosecution or defence counsel and informed of which witnesses they will be examining. The witnesses are members of chambers instructed to act as a normal witness would when giving their evidence. The papers are provided a week prior to the mock trial to allow for preparation time. This is a key opportunity for members of chambers to observe pupils' advocacy and is taken into consideration in the tenancy decision.

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HOW TO APPLY

Chambers selects articulate and well motivated individuals who can demonstrate academic excellence, high standards of presentation and communication skills, sound judgement and a practical approach to problem-solving.

2 Hare Court recruits its pupils in accordance with the timetable advertised on the [Bar Council's website](#) and Pupillage Gateway. Chambers will be using the Pupillage Gateway to administer its recruitment process and, as such, applicants should apply using the link provided in 2 Hare Court's advertisement on the site, which will be available to view from the 25th November 2022 onwards. In the meantime, prospective pupils can use the

[Practice Application Form](#) on the site to gain an understanding of the format their application will take and to upload relevant information in advance of the opening of the annual submissions window.

The application timetable for pupillages commencing in September 2024 is set out below and applicants are asked to make sure they will be available on these dates as we are usually unable to accommodate individual requests for a change in timetable.

Applications for September 2024

Open – Wednesday 4th January 2023

Close – Wednesday 8th February 2023

Shortlisting and interviews -

Between Tuesday 14th February 2023 and Thursday 4th May 2023 (dates to be confirmed)

Offers made - After 9am Friday 5th May 2023

Pupils have 7 days to decide

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Funding

Chambers advertises up to two 12 month pupillages per year. The funding for pupillages commencing from September 2024 onwards will be £30,000 award paid in monthly instalments during your first six months. £10,000 guaranteed earnings during your second six months.



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